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The Christian Always Has Hope

We were especially impressed by a letter which appears on the *Letters Page* this week, from a man in Wisconsin who saw a copy of SOCIAL JUSTICE for the first time; and immediately asked to enlist as a distributor to make the magazine better known in his community.

This illustrates what we have insisted for a long time about the importance of sample copies.

We are always glad to have the reaction of new readers.

What to say to the "old timers" at renewal time is something else again. What *can* we say to a reader who has known SOCIAL JUSTICE for a year, or six years, that will induce him to fill in the renewal coupon — if the contents of our weekly magazine has not already done so?

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Then, there was a letter a week or so ago—not even a letter, barely a notation on a subscription card —which asked:

"Can't you have just one page each week to reassure us that there still is some good in the world?"

We promptly paged through several recent issues. They are packed with portent—some of the comment, we're sure, will loom in importance in coming weeks over what it seems to possess now. But, to be sure, there was little surface optimism. Then we took up the daily newspapers and current magazines; but there wasn't any cheer there, either.

The world's at war. Our task, as we see it, is to try and tell you the *WHY* of the news that the reporters of it are often forbidden to touch upon. Thus, both the news and editorial comment about it, will not likely be more cheerful than the facts they deal with.

However, we—the readers and editors of SOCIAL JUSTICE—have the advantage of our anchor post of Christian principle. Our "optimism" is our Christian hope. We try to express this throughout our comment. Too often, perhaps, it is merely implied.

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Largely for this reason, therefore, SOCIAL JUSTICE, in addition to its weekly comment on the news of the world, has sent you spiritual reminders from time to time.

The Christmas book, *"Emanuel"* by Father Coughlin, is an excellent message to re-read when there is not much "hope" in the daily news.

The *Lenten Missal,* which has recently gone out to thousands, is unequaled daily reading for every day of Lent. What's more, the *Lenten Missal* is so indexed as to be usable for several years.

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Just living annual wage.

Nationalization of important public resources.

Private ownership of all other property.

Control of private property for public good.

Abolition of Federal Reserve Banking System and establishment of a Government-owned Central Bank.

Restoration to Congress of its sole right to coin and regulate the value of money.

Cost of living maintained on an even keel.

Cost of production plus a fair profit for the farmer.

Labor's right to organize.

Recall of non-productive bonds.

Abolition of tax-exempt bonds.

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Simplification of Government and lower taxes.

Conscription of wealth as well as men in event of war.

Sanctity of human rights preferred to sanctity of property with Government's chief concern for the poor.

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Six Years Ago

LABOR has a choice of three paths to follow, said SOCIAL JUSTICE (March 27, 1936) six years ago this week, as strikes continued to hold the spotlight in news throughout the country.

"Communism's threat to America should never be underestimated," we warned. "As capitalism's abuses are more and more apparent, labor is being incited to try Communism; as individualism fails, collectivism is urged.

"It is true that 'capital cannot do without labor'; it is equally true that 'labor cannot do without capital.' One is just as important to remember as the other . . .

"Predicating its position on the two-fold character of private property — its individual and social character—Social Justice reaches into the moral law for its sanctions.

"There is wealth enough for all. There is no need to limit wealth if men will but use it, not as the owners but only the trustees of their superfluous abundance.

"Pay labor the living annual and just wage, and atheistic Communism could never place one foot on American soil!

"Place the money power where it belongs, in the hands of the people's Congress, and Communism knows that it is beaten in America."

' ' '

Father Coughlin's broadcast of Sunday, March 15th, 1936, was quoted in this edition. He said, in part:

"Either consciously or unconsciously, the laborers of America are moving toward a change which, forsaking Modern Capitalism, will lead them to adopt some form of Socialism, some phase of Communism, or some adaptation of Fascism—*unless a saner and more logical program is offered them.*

"Those who believe in the principles of Social Justice are not blind to the impending change. Therefore, with the hope of converting the minds of Americans to its viewpoint, the National Union—consisting of those citizens who are opposed both to the paganism of Modern Capitalism and to the illogic extreme of Socialism and Communism — presents its views and beliefs on labor.

"It is yours to decide in a constitutional manner, whether through your negligence you and your children will be content to wear the shackles of depression, or whether you and your fellow laborers shall rise in your justified and intelligent wrath, not only to stem the onrush of Communism but to break the back of Modern Capitalism, which hypocritically preaches in public the right to private propertyship while, in private, it concentrates all wealth in the hands of a few."

Five Years Ago

THE ISSUE of SOCIAL JUSTICE dated March 29, 1937, was a husky one-year-old.

"Labor Dictatorship" was the title of an article discussing the threat of a Committee of Industrial Organization to break away from the American Federation of Labor, and undertake the organization of 28-million laborers under the leadership of John L. Lewis.

The visit of Sir Walter Runciman, president of the British Board of Trade, and his conference with President Roosevelt on a British-American reciprocal trade treaty, was foreseen as affecting this country's neutrality in the event England should be drawn into another war.

Said SOCIAL JUSTICE: "Britain has no intention of entering into a trade agreement if our neutrality policy is to deny her essential supplies in the event she gets into a war."

Some significant headlines in that five-year-old edition read:

"Disorders Sweep Country; General Strike Threatened—Terrorism in Chicago and Detroit."

"Presidents, Not Supreme Court, Have Defeated People's Will — Executives in 48 Years Have Vetoed 700 Acts; Court Has Killed 67 in 148 Years."

"Social Justice Village in Third Year—40 Families Share Priest's Experiment." (This was the story of King City, Ont.)

"Communist Minority Is Forcing Will on Divided French People — World May Take Note of Reds' Tactics."

"Third of Nation Needy, Homeless for Lack of True Money Reform — Court Issue Is Just Another 'Smoke Screen'."

Correction

A typographical error in last week's issue (page 15) made one section of India's population more than "2¼-million Hindus," whereas, quite obviously, the figure should have read: "225-million Hindus."

Pete Tip-toes Lightly Around an Irish Jinx!

HI'YA, FOLKS:

Well, I got good news this wk. Mary May, the offus manajur 'n my cirkalashun help'r's back. She did a quick comeback frum that hospitul sesshun.

Pal tells me that Beatrice, the church artust, is better, too. We're shure y'r prayers helped.

' ' '

How did y' all come throo St. Patrick's Day? I didunt say much about it before 'cause I'm a diplomat. A lotta us around here 'r Irish —I'm a Dane myself—but, somehow, th' 17th o' March is a Jonah Day at Royal Oak.

Th' Jinx is older'n I am. It was alreddy a tradishun when they started th' paper th' edditur sez. That year, it wuz th' Church that burned.

This year what with th' war 'n all 'n th' printers' fyre 'n two Friday th' 13ths t' practus on, th' staff went t' erly Mass on St. Patrick's mornin' 'n watch'd ther step plenty th' rest o' th' day.

' ' '

A number uv reeders who hav' pets hav' written letters to me 'n Pal 'n we wantta thank ya but I don't think they'll let me tak' up much space t' do ut.

They'd rather I'd use it to talk about cirkalashun 'n y'r subskripshun 'n renooals, but I just hurd th' edditur stealin' my stuff a cupple paragraphs above me 'n so I'll just hav' 'em print th' kupon.

You know what t' do with ut!

Y'rs f'r th' durashun, as they're sayin' now.

—PETE

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Comment

'Aristocrats of the World' Have Established a Dangerous Precedent for America

BY AUGUST 6, 1933, the Jews of the world, under the executive direction of Mr. Samuel Untermeyer of New York, had organized a boycott against Germany, thereby starting a "sacred war."

It was a universal boycott levied by all non-Axis nations not only against the Nazis in Germany, but against the entire German people—including approximately 45-million Catholics and Protestants who definitely were not Nazis.

It was a boycott engaged in not only by a few Jews but by all Jews, whose leaders, according to Mr. Untermeyer, would be forced to participate in the "sacred war." This participation was guaranteed, Mr. Untermeyer indicated, by the pressure which would be applied to any reluctant leaders at the Prague Conference following the Amsterdam meeting where the boycott was planned and launched.

As reported last week in these pages, this Jewish boycott against the German people was undertaken in reprisal for what the Nazi political party had done to the Jews in Germany during and following Hitler's rise to power.

The boycott policy of the Jews indeed was bold. But, acting under sagacious leaders who had risen to lofty eminence in matters of finance, commerce, communications, publicity and state, the Jews knew they were able to execute it else they would never have undertaken it.

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Although we do not condone persecution, nevertheless, historically, we may seek out the causes or pretexts which launched it.

Why did the Nazis persecute German Jews?

Following the first World War, members of the Jewish race, whose fortunes had been made outside Germany, carried their gold and credit and currency across the Rhine to invest it in German properties which had depreciated tremendously through the plague of inflation from which the German people were suffering. At that time an American dollar bill could purchase a million German marks. At that time an American hundred-dollar bill could buy a castle on the Rhine, or a block of city offices, or a million-dollar factory.

The Jews were charged not only by Hitler but by many Catholic and Protestant Germans with having gained considerable control of German industry, property and commercial activity through manipulation of foreign gold and currency.

This was in the year 1933.

The Peace Treaty of Versailles was still in effect. Hitler had not risen to complete power. No German troops had crossed the Rhine. Although conservatives appeared to hold the whip-hand in government, it was evident to all that Communists—including Jew and Gentile; including atheist, ex-Catholic and ex-Protestant—showed signs of taking over the country. At a recent election in Germany, the world was shocked to learn that approximately 6-million votes had been balloted for the Communist regime.

And Communism long since had been identified with radical Jewish leadership, despite all denials to the contrary.

This does not mean that all Jews are Communists any more than it means that all Gentiles are Christians. It does mean just what it states, namely, that radical Jews played a most prominent part in furthering the activities of Communism.

That categorical statement has been specified by names, charts and dates in documents whose veracity and authenticity cannot be seriously challenged.

Therefore, caught between the pincers of two aggressors — the aggressor of foreign finance which was assimilating the major portion of their valuable properties; and the aggressor of Jewish-controlled Communism which was striking at their nationality and its principles—the German people were forced to act to save their properties and principles.

It is a pity, we admit, that more stable leaders than Hitler and his Nazis did not adequately counteract these abuses.

It is a pity that Hitler and his Nazis won the following of such a powerful portion of the German people.

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The above observations are more or less incidental. They are set down to indicate why the German people organized to fight against their aggressors.

As far as the Communist aggression was concerned, it evaporated into thin air with the rise of the National Socialist Party.

As far as the Jewish financial aggression was concerned, it found itself counteracted in an unwise manner by a boycott against Jewish merchants; by restrictions imposed upon the Jewish people; and by assaults against Jewish religionists.

Eventually, at Amsterdam, 1933, the leading Jews of the world, under Mr. Samuel Untermeyer, launched their world-wide boycott against all the German people.

Therefore, one evil bred another evil.

Now bear in mind there were no more than 600,000 Jews in Germany. Reputable reporters tell us that, despite Hitler's orders, Jewish merchants continued to make money selling brown shirts to their opponents; that Jewish bankers continued to multiply profits by lending money to the Nazis.

Mr. Samuel Untermeyer's world-wide boycott against Germany was undertaken only after he and his collaborators believed that it would be successful—successful because they held such great influence over the main machinery through which a boycott could be implemented. The Jews thought they were able to line up all the resources of Great Britain, France, the Netherlands, Belgium, Greece, Turkey, Norway, Sweden, the Soviet Union, China, Africa and South America—more than 2-billion potential purchasers—against Germany's 65-million nationals.

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Let's ask four questions:

(1) If 600,000 Jews were persecuted by Hitler—what about the 45-million Catholics and Protestants in Germany who were persecuted by those who used the international monetary exchange to "confiscate" German property?

(2) If the Jews were so disturbed over the sufferings of their co-racials in Germany, why did they, in so many instances, urge our Government in 1933 to recognize the Soviet Union which was then persecuting Christians financially, commercially and physically?

(3) Why did Jews refrain from accepting Father Coughlin's invitation to join with Christians to put down all persecution—Communist persecution as well as Nazi persecution?

(4) Why did every Jewish magazine and the majority of Jewish pulpits and leaders assail Father Coughlin for being "anti-Semitic" when he issued this invitation to the Jews of America—an invitation to oppose all persecution everywhere? Couldn't Jews be termed "anti-Christian" when they were "confiscating" property belonging to German Catholics and Protestants; when they advocated and supported the recognition of the Soviet Union?

Mr. Untermeyer and the Jews didn't think of these questions. They were going to teach the whole German people a lesson for having dared to strike at the "aristocrats of the world" — as Mr. Untermeyer described the Jews.

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Thus, the Untermeyer boycott went on. It went on in Britain, France, Czechoslovakia, Poland, the Netherlands, Belgium, Greece, Turkey, China, South America—and the United States. It was world-wide because the Jewish influence over those

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things which held control of boycott was world-wide.

As a sample of the operation of the Jewish boycott in America, we here reproduce a letter which speaks for itself:

Organized 1933
Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League
To Champion Human Rights, Inc.
20 West 47th Street, New York
Medallion 3-2720
Samuel Untermeyer, Founder

January 19, 1939

Dr. S. William Kalb
Chairman, Board of Directors
Compressed Yeast Corp. of America,
363 Greenwich Street,
New York City

Gentlemen:

As you are probably aware, the name of your firm is at present among those listed in our monthly publication, the "Anti-Nazi Bulletin," as handling Merchandise imported from Germany.

Since thousands of the members and friends of our Organization throughout the country turn to our Bulletin for information regarding those who are giving economic support to the Nazi regime by carrying on trade with Germany, we publish such names in every issue.

According to our present information, your firm continues to deal in German goods and we therefore believe ourselves justified in continuing to place you on our list. However, in order to make certain that we are absolutely fair to you, we take this occasion to request any statement that you wish to make before the forthcoming issue of our publication goes to press, which will be within the next few days.

Very truly yours,

Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League
(Signed) Leo Spanglet,
Research Division

Nazi Germany is the Enemy of Civilization. Refuse to Trade with the Enemy.

It is observed that while this Anti-Nazi League is anti-Nazi, it is not anti-Communist. Without hesitation the League stamps Germany as the "enemy of civilization," but it has nothing to say about the Soviet Union and its Communism.

Furthermore, while this Anti-Nazi League carried on its subversive work in this country, it did so with the conniving of the United States Government because, by that time, the Anti-Nazi League and Mr. Samuel Untermeyer felt sure they had the United States Government supporting them.

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About six months before Father Coughlin's challenging broadcast of Nov. 20, 1938 (in which he invited all Jews to join with all Christians against all persecution), an article appeared in the *American Hebrew* magazine which indicated how sure of themselves the Jews throughout the world appeared to be. They were boasting, at that time, of the progress they had made in political affairs in certain countries. They were envisioning the day when they would have control of all the major democracies, including France, Britain and the Soviet Union.

The *American Hebrew* article reads as follows:

"M. Blum, without portfolio, is still an important character in the French political picture . . . It is likely that M. Blum will continue to be the one to whom the masses will look for leadership.

"Maxim Litvinov (Commissar of Foreign Affairs) far outranks any comrade of the International with the exception of the sallow-complexioned keeper of the Kremlin . . .

"Litvinov is the high pressure gentleman who sold President Roosevelt on recognition of the Soviet government and the establishment of trade agreement . . . He has accomplished the ultimate in the diplomatic ken by keeping conservative England on the most amicable terms with Red Russia.

"The English Jew of prominence is Leslie Hore-Belisha, Secretary of State for War. Through sagacious use of the public prints (at which he is a past master, having learned his stuff from Lord Beaverbrook, the daddy of all the press lords), managed to keep his own name prominent . . .

"So it may come to pass that these three sons of Israel, these three Jews will form the combine that will send the frenzied Nazi dictator to the Hell to which he has consigned so many of 'their kind of people' . . .

"These forces of reaction are being mobilized. Regardless of the action of the Senate which will shake him loose from the premiership, Blum, as leader of the strong Socialist mass, will continue to have a firm finger in the Parisian political potpourri. Russia, as in the past, continues to look to Maxim Litvinov for her foreign policy, and England, amazed and gratified at the job turned in by her imaginative, yet solid war minister, feels a new security in the capable military force which complements the 'King's Navee.'

"And when the smoke of battle clears, trumpets no longer blare and bullets have ceased to blast, there may be presented a tableau showing the man who played God, the swastikaed Christus, being lowered, none too gently, into a hole in the ground as the trio of [illegible] Aryans intone a ramified requiem that sounds suspiciously like a medley of the 'Marsellaise,' 'God Save the King' and the 'Internationale,' blending in grand finale, into a militant, proud and aggressive arrangement of Eili Eili!"

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We are still at a loss to understand why the *American Hebrew* magazine article did not include the "Star Spangled Banner."

Needless to say, the world-wide boycott inaugurated in 1933 was a "sacred war," as Mr. Untermeyer described it. It was sacred for the cause of the Jews whom he calls the "aristocrats of the world."

We were under the impression that Hitler and his Aryans were the only "aristocrats" worthwhile condemning because of their racial pride.

We repeat that Germany was no world menace in 1933. It was a country still groveling under the heel of the unjust Treaty of Versailles. The pre-eminent M. Blum, shortly before this date, actually refused a loan of a few million dollars to Chancellor Bruening of Germany who sought the money to purchase raw material outside Germany in order to start the wheels of industry turning inside Germany.

If the Jews throughout the world and their puppets in government were really sincere about eliminating Hitler and his Nazis, they could have helped Bruening; they could have helped Hindenburg; they could have helped the millions of Catholics and Protestants to bring order out of chaos. This they refused to do and thereby helped to build up Hitler and his following through the instrumentality of a world-wide boycott.

In a word, Hitler and Hitlerism are creatures of Jewry and Judaism.

Naturally, all peace-loving persons in the world and, particularly, in America hate the cowardly instrument of boycott — an instrument held in the hands of a bully. It is un-American. It is un-Christian. It is undemocratic.

In America we have laws prohibiting boycott.

In Christianity we have precepts frowning upon boycott.

In democracy—especially the American brand of it, before the radicals transmuted our Government—we loathe it.

We know the League of Nations sanctioned boycotts. But America never sanctioned the League.

* * *

Let's return to the question: Why do not Jewish leaders join Christians in fighting Communism? Let a prominent Jew give us the answer.

We quote a portion of an article published in the *New Masses* by James Waterman Wise, son of Rabbi Stephen S. Wise. This eminent Jew wrote as follows:

"Jews are not Communists, is the burden of a panic-stricken statement issued jointly by Dr. Cyrus Adler, Alfred M. Cohen and B. C. Vladeck.

"These gentlemen hysterically deny that Communism is Jewish, and frenziedly repudiate Jews who are Communists. Their statement, concocted out of fear for themselves, libels our Soviet Russia and lies about the Jewish people. Behind high-flown phrases lies a poorly veiled invitation to potential Nazis of America to pogromize Jews.

"Let us analyze their statement: They first attempt to show that the Jews of Germany and of other countries are not and were not Communists . . . and, then, that Communism and the Soviet Union are themselves foes of Jews and Judaism. Of Soviet Russia, it says: 'Among the 36 Commissars who constitute Soviet Russia, only two are Jews.'

"Is it possible that the heads of the American Jewish Committee, the B'nai B'rith and the Jewish Labor Committee, have never heard of Litvinov, of Yaroslovsky, Kagonovitz, Radek, Bela Kun? Jews who deny that many Jews are Communists are jockeying themselves into the position of citizens on toleration.

"Will not the gentlemen who today disclaim Jewish Communists, tomorrow

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The American People Can Stand the Truth

But They Don't Get It From Bureaucrats

GOOD EDITORS insist on telling the truth within the bounds of prudence. When they cannot tell the whole truth and nothing but the truth, they will not employ lies or half-truths.

Of course, the virtue of prudence—particularly in wartime—should decide what may be publicized. It is imprudent, however, to dress up defeats in the garments of victory or to parade disasters in the guise of success.

Worse than Pearl Harbor is the persistent muddling and bottle-necking identified with Washington. To be silent in the face of such things is definitely unpatriotic on the part of a publisher.

SOCIAL JUSTICE does not necessarily agree with or applaud all the contents of either *Time* or *Newsweek*. In fact, in the past we have had reasons to express our disagreement with articles contained in these publications. Nevertheless, we venture to employ some statements contained in recent issues of these news weeklies to emphasize that SOCIAL JUSTICE does not stand alone in pointing out the inefficiencies in Government as well as the defeats suffered by our Army and Navy.

Not that we gloat in these defeats. Nevertheles, we persist in citing them in the interest of public truth lest, when peace comes, our people will turn in their righteous wrath against a Government whose propagandists do not see fit to inform the citizens about the reality of things.

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A very vocal and persistent group of would-be patriots evaluate this policy as one favoring the Axis Powers. Surely, *Time* magazine and *Newsweek* are not pro-Nazi.

Another group indict the publishers of truth as defeatists. Again we say that *Time* magazine and *Newsweek* are not defeatists.

Here are some trenchant statements made by *Newsweek* in its March 16th issue:

(1) "The diplomats' feeling is not strong about Hull, whom they all admire but regard as too old, but most of them are bitter about Jones, whom they accuse of 'British shortsightedness' in failing to prepare for the shortage. Many of the younger New Dealers concur in this criticism and add Knox to their list of men who should go."

(2) "There has been extensive propaganda aimed at the Negro race. The Communists have consistently urged them to demand racial equality, and now it develops that the Japanese have been active along these lines."

(3) "Without official announcement, both London and Washington have sent formal communications to the Vatican expressing 'surprise' at Holy See negotiations with Japan for an exchange of diplomatic representatives." (Denied by Vatican.)

(4) "Since it's obvious the Germans know it, it can be revealed that Britain has lost control of the Central Mediterranean. The Axis is now pouring war supplies across the narrow neck between Sicily and Tripoli almost without interference except for occasional submarine attacks."

(5) "With ever greater obstacles placed in the way of final victory, the United States' role of rushing troops and supplies to threatened points became increasingly vital."

(6) "The refusal of the United States and Britain to send substantial naval reinforcements to the Far East probably permitted the Japanese to make their conquests at minimum cost in sea strength."

(7) "New Guinea and Northern Australia are conceded to be Japan's for the taking. Fear that the flow of United States supplies will not be great enough to throw back a full-scale attack accounts for the frantic appeals of Australian leaders."

(8) "At the same time that Secretary of War Stimson was proclaiming in Washington that air reinforcements were still reaching the Indies, the order went out for the withdrawal of the American Flying Fortresses. Bleary-eyed, angry pilots flew the big bombers away, cursing the fate that seemed always to doom them to flee because of lack of fighter support."

(9) "Lt. Gov. Gen Hubertus van Mook, the strong man of Indies government, arrived in Australia by plane with a few officials. They had all left their families behind but managed to get away themselves."

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As for *Time* magazine, we read the following in its March 16th issue:

(1) "Said one elder statesman in Washington last week: 'When the Japs land in San Francisco, there will be a real shake-up.' Meanwhile the war effort pooped and boggled along. Washington was gloomy over defeats in the field, and wretched over its own confusion. The press was angry."

(2) "What to do? Eleanor Roosevelt had one answer in a hopeful *Cosmopolitan* magazine article. Take a vacation, said Mrs. Roosevelt; you need one in times like these."

(3) "San Francisco's longshoremen and their waterfront employers seldom agree. But last week they loudly agreed that cargo space was being wasted, that ships steamed out through the Golden Gate with precious freights of airplanes, munitions, food dangerously and improperly stowed, that loading of vital supplies for Pacific outposts was being delayed and badly damaged, and that Army and Navy officials in Washington were to blame."

(4) "Last week an illusion died. It was the illusion that Britain and the U. S. could husband their might until 1943 or 1944, then win the war by retrieving what Germany and Japan had taken in the meantime. As Germany coiled for a spring offensive somewhere in Russia, as the Japanese locked the southwest Pacific, the United Nations absorbed the fact that their war can be lost in 1942."

(5) "The incredibly complicated India problem threatened to become purely academic, a mass of mere words. Sir Stafford Cripps politely told Parliament that the government had postponed comment on India's demands for self-government. While the British public cried for action, London rumor held that government proposals had struck snags both in London and New Delhi."

(6) "The Congress (Indian) wants complete independence, rather than Dominion status. It declares that Britain has deliberately set Moslems against Hindus for Britain's political advantage. It wants a national central government, claims that the Moslem League would co-operate, if Britain granted independence."

(7) "Allied experts who once boasted that oil would win the war began to realize last week that the oil may get into the wrong hands. It was a rude awakening."

(8) "On Java there was no Bataan. The Japanese victory was complete and swift. Recriminations by the bitter Dutch defenders told part of the story, but only part: promised Allied reinforcements did not arrive; an Allied High Command was imposed upon the Dutch, without the Allied troops, planes and ships which would have made the joint command effective."

(9) "*Aneta*, the official Dutch news agency, cabled a last, bitter acount of a country lost for want of a few ships, a few

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LaGuardia, Lehman and Dewey

GOVERNOR LEHMAN and Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia will not co-operate at the forthcoming gubernatorial elections in New York State.

Does this mean that there is a break in the ranks of Jews? Or does it mean that there is a serious eruption inside the cup of the New Deal?

When Fiorello LaGuardia was campaigning for mayor last fall, he was attacked by Governor Lehman. Using a Yiddish word with a Bronx dialect, His Pudginess retaliated, calling the Governor a thief—and that ended all amicable relations between the two gentlemen.

Recently Mr. Moscovitz, head of the Young Democrats' political organization in New York, approached Mayor LaGuardia to ask him if he could not join hands again with the Governor. The Mayor replied indirectly that this could not be done.

According to Pearson and Allen, Washington columnists:

"Some members of New York's board of higher education are convinced that Crime-Crusader Tom Dewey has made a political deal with the Communists as a step toward being elected Governor of New York this fall.

"For some time, Communist teachers have been a headache to New York's four city colleges — Queens, Hunter, Brooklyn and City of New York. So a committee consisting of Ira Hirschmann and Lawson Stone, son of Chief Justice Stone, was appointed to give suspected Communists a fair trial, and if guilty, oust them."

So it seems that Crime-Buster Dewey will join with the forces of LaGuardia to oust the more conservative Lehmanites from office.

What chance had the American people in 1940 to secure a President who was independent of Communists? We knew where Roosevelt and Willkie stood. We now are told where Tom Dewey stands.

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No Victory With Leftist Leaders

WE THANK Vice-President Henry Wallace who, unconsciously, supports a contention we published last week when we said that economic warfare leads to military warfare.

In a speech delivered at Omaha, Nebraska, March 14, 1942, Mr. Wallace said: "Remember that economic warfare easily leads to military warfare." Perhaps the Vice-President, in making that statement, failed to recognize the cruel economic warfare which was waged—particularly since 1933—among the nations now involved in military warfare.

Nevertheless, history will confirm the truthfulness of Mr. Wallace's words when a chastised, calm generation will have an opportunity to study the existence and implications of the Samuel Untermeyer broadcast delivered August 6, 1933.

Be that as it may, America finds herself battling on three separate fronts—in a military warfare.

We who became an arsenal for the democracies eventually became the target for the totalitarians.

We who subscribed to a white warfare of boycott eventually were forced to subscribe to a red warfare of battle.

And what of the three battle fronts?

In the Orient, the Philippines are dominated by the enemy. The Malayan Peninsula and Singapore, representing the master link in Britain's chain of empire, are lost. The fabulously wealthy Dutch East Indies are overrun in eight days. Burma finds the British with their backs to the wall. China is cut off from adequate supplies. Australia is threatened. India is seething with the elements of revolt. The major portion of the United Nations' Asiatic fleet is destroyed. Approximately 200,000 Allied troops are captives. In a word, the Battle of the Pacific is lost and, despite all optimism, will remain lost for many years.

From Hong Kong to New Britain our Oriental enemy has conquered a population roughly estimated to number 150-million, and a territory, roughly measured, to be in excess of more than 1-million square miles.

Then there is the battle in Europe and the Near East. Holland and the Dutch Empire are overrun. Denmark, Norway, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Greece, Jugoslavia, Albania, Belgium, France and Libya are in the hands of a potent conqueror the like of whose fighting forces the world has never seen.

Four-fifths of the territory in Russia occupied by Hitler last year is still in his hands.

Already it is conceded that the Axis Powers dominate the Mediterranean and threaten both Suez and Gibraltar.

The English forces, having retreated from Dunkirk, confess their impotence to invade Europe successfully.

Definitely, the first phase of the Battle of Europe has been won by Hitler and lost ignominiously by the Allies.

And what of the third battle? There is a third battle being waged on the shores of the Potomac—a battle which deserves our most serious consideration.

We are told—and we believe it—that the World War cannot be won from a military point of view unless it is won by the manpower of the United States—a manpower represented not only by soldiers, sailors, marines and airmen, but by national leaders, farmers, factory men, industrialists, bankers and citizens in general.

The Battle of the Potomac is progressing no more advantageously for us than are the battles in the Orient and in Europe.

If not malfeasance, at least, mismanagement characterizes its every phase.

Why is this most important battle being lost?

Because there is presidential bottle-necking of our national effort.

Because there is bureaucratic sabotaging of Americanism.

Because communistic-minded men dominate Federal agencies.

Because our Chief Executive languishes under the spell of socialistic leaders like Frankfurter and Hopkins.

Because there is Cabinet inefficiency represented by Stimson, Knox, Jones, Perkins, Ickes and Morgenthau.

Because there is White House boondoggling under the direction of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Because there is congressional surrender of democratic powers whereby both the Senate and the House fail to safeguard the people whom they represent.

Because there is labor leadership in many unions which is selfish and radical.

Because there is a spirit of greed and gain in the hearts of capitalists.

Four months of military warfare has produced no all-out effort on the part of the American people, not because they are complacent but because they lack leadership in Washington.

Before there can be victory abroad, there must be victory at home.

For example, it is psychologically impossible to turn our forces all-out against the Nazis whom we abhor when we know that behind our backs is raised a Red stiletto held in the hand of Communists whom we equally abhor.

It is odious enough for Americans to go all-out for the preservation of the *status quo* of the British Empire. Nevertheless, now that we are in this war for the preservation of our lives, though it be a military war brought about by economic aggressions, it is impossible to be in it wholeheartedly when we are conscious of the mismanagement and plotting which characterize the Battle of the Potomac.

Perhaps the war in the Pacific is over.

Perhaps the war in Europe will be defined in favor of the enemy in 1942.

Whether or not these possibilities will be translated into facts this year, the war on the Potomac must be won, no matter what sacrifice is entailed.

No matter what happens abroad, America must win the war at home.

The Vice-President of the United States said: "Remember that economic warfare easily leads to military warfare."

We might add that a sociological warfare engaged in by those in power to Marxianize America can lead to a military warfare. It was so in Spain. It can be so elsewhere.

Americans, this is no time to be intimidated by politicians who hold power by reason of the purse strings which the taxpayers entrust to them. Either these politicians will discipline themselves before they discipline the people, or there will be no national unity.

Either America will win the Battle of the Potomac first, or lose forever the battles of the Orient and Europe — as well as "our way of living."

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Reds Demand Posts As Air Raid Wardens

DOCUMENTS in the hands of Federal agents throw light on a widespread Red plot to dominate the nation's entire civilian defense effort, as a step toward an ultimate Communist dictatorship.

At least two score Communists have been discovered serving as block captains and air raid wardens in various parts of Chicago, according to the *Herald-American.*

More were found entrenched in the O.C.D. Consumers' Information Service, and other vital posts that give them access to homes and business places, the agents in Chicago said.

Air raid wardens and auxiliary police are to be provided with much confidential information about the citizens in their districts. In emergencies they have the privilege of entering homes; and they will have the duty of removing the rotor from the distributor of automobiles parked on the streets, to prevent the car's use by parachute troops or enemy agents in case of invasion. These are but a few of the routine official activities of wardens and special police. Red *saboteurs,* no doubt, can think of many more if given the opportunity by their appointment as air raid wardens.

With this in mind the Communists, with a great pretense of super-patriotism, are displaying a sudden yen to become wardens and auxiliary police. Fortunately, for the most part, American communities are onto them.

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Assuming that the recent military alliance of the United States with Soviet Russia is tantamount to absolution of all their sins, as well as a clean bill of health for Communism itself, Communists in Los Angeles are rebelling against all "discrimination."

They are demanding, of all things, their "rights" under the *Constitution* of the United States! In the name of these "rights," the Commies demand to be sworn in as air raid wardens and auxiliary police in Southern California *without having to take the anti-Communist oath!*

For past-masters in the fine art of sabotage, espionage and subversive propaganda, the positions of air wardens and auxiliary police are made to order. Ready liars as they can be on occasion, the Reds do not like the oath they have to take to get the coveted appointments.

The oath begins with the customary pledge of allegiance to the United States and the promise to uphold the *Constitution* and our national laws.

The portion to which the Communists specifically object is as follows:

"I, further, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am not a member of the Communist Party, the German Bund, or any other Communist, Nazi or Fascist organization, and that I am not a member of any political party or organization which advocates the overthrow of our constitutional form of Government of the United States."

Following receipt of the protest, Chief of Police C. B. Horrall of Los Angeles paid a hasty visit to the city's legal department to see what answer could be made to the Communist Party's claim that the oath was "unconstitutional and a violation of their (the Reds') civil liberties."

There he found that the oath in its entirety had the official approbation of the President of the United States, and that no deviation, however slight, would be tolerated!

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A few days later, California Communists brought action against Attorney General Earl Warren, California Secretary of State Paul Peek, and William Kerr, registrar of voters in Los Angeles, demanding a peremptory writ of mandamus requiring these officials to include the Communist Party on the ballot in next Autumn's election.

The Communist Party was banned from the ballot in California by legislative enactment in 1940.

What's the situation in YOUR community?

Canada and the Reds

CANADA, it appears, is not fooled by any military alliance with the U.S.S.R. into closing its eyes against the peril of Red infiltration in the Dominion.

The *Western Catholic,* dioscesan paper for Bishop Griffin of Springfield, Ill., says editorially:

"Communist publications will be retained on the banned list in Canada despite the fact that there may be a review of some 200 other United States publications, now barred from Canada.

"With respect to the latter it is felt that with the United States now at war steps will be or have been, taken at the source to eliminate their menace to Canada. However, it is pointed out, the Communist Party is still a legal party in the United States, whereas it is not in Canada. Shortly after Canada entered the war the Communist Party was banned there under special Defense of Canada Regulations.

"Pamphlets have been isued from an elusive Communist headquarters—which the Royal Canadian Mounted Police are still trying to trace—calling on Canadian soldiers to complain about their food and against what is termed in typical Communist words, 'Fascist-minded careerest officers.'

"Asked whether the 'directives' emanated from Russia, the Minister of Justice St. Laurent said the police have been unable to trace their source. But, he added, 'apart altogether from what has been going on in Russia,' the Communist Party of Canada is pursuing a policy which has been 'a constant threat to Canadian institutions.' "

A Libel on Spain

A "BROAD propaganda plot aimed at overthrowing the American Government and creating disunion within this country" is charged by Archibald MacLeish, President Roosevelt's director of "Facts and Figures," according to the Washington bureau of the *Chicago Sun.*

Intelligence officials in Washington have evidence that the "Japanese embassy in Madrid, Spain," is headquarters for America's disunity campaign, Mr. MacLeish told reporters.

He said: "It is the aim of Japanese embassy attaches in Madrid to use technically neutral Spain as a market place of gossip in which to shop for propaganda material to be passed on to secret agents and fifth columnists in the United States."

Mr. MacLeish stated that "it would be *dangerous to release the text of the report.*"

One wonders just why.

MacLeish explained that the report, which it would be "dangerous" to reveal, is the latest evidence of the effectiveness of his organization for counter-propaganda.

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It is our observation that it will not take any Japanese propaganda mill operating in Madrid, Spain, to undermine American confidence in incompetent leadership. And it will not work to blame disclosures of such bungling and incompetency upon "Japanese plots" hatched in faraway Spain.

And, Spain of all places!

Wasn't that the Christian country which just had a civil war to throw out the Reds, whom Mr. MacLeish and the New Deal Administration in this country supported?

And wasn't Melvyn Douglas their best friend in Hollywood?

We called the Spanish Reds "democrats" and "Loyalists"—remember?

Did not the victory of General Franco "fumigate," as it were, the whole Iberian peninsula?

Did not the Red refugees grab all the gold and loot from Catholic churches that they could carry with them and beat it—as the saying is—for America?

And are they not here today, well-circumstanced by their gold stolen from "the people" of Spain?

And do not some of them have suspiciously intimate relations with the New Deal *clique?*

You know the answers; we won't insult the readers' intelligence by appending any reply to our rhetorical questions.

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As a matter of downright fact, and all-out truth, real Americans are much more concerned about the propaganda disseminated within the U. S. A. by these church-looting Spanish Reds than by any scared-up plotting of slant-eyed orientals. We're onto the Japs; but, somehow, the Reds still have many of us fooled.

Mr. MacLeish's counter-propaganda department has its work cut out for it if only it can obtain and print for us the *"facts and figures."*

For it will be the FACTS and the FIGURES which official incompetents have to fear — much more than the lies of any enemy, imported by way of Christian Spain.

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Quentin Reynolds Discovers Stalin Has Been Maligned

IN CASE you didn't know — Quentin Reynolds is a noted war correspondent and he's quite a fellow, as you will discover upon reading his articles. He makes little effort to conceal the fact.

He's rather popular in cafe society, too, if one may judge by the number of times his name pops up in the gossip columns. Whatever the degree of his popularity, however, it is evident in Mr. Reynolds' journalistic masterpieces that his chief admirer is Mr. Reynolds.

He writes in a delightful gee-it's-great-to-be-a-war-correspondent-but-you're-lucky-you're-not one. Doubtless many persons, after reading one of Mr. Reynolds' thrilling accounts of Reynolds Covering the War are left with the indelible mental impression that Mr. Reynolds is: (1) the world's greatest reporter; (2) the world's most fearless reporter; (3) the reporter with the most intimate connections with the most diplomats and government officials in the most countries.

Mr. Reynolds has never made such claims, understand, as far as we know; but in his charming, chummy, informal style of relating his harrowing exploits you can see that he would not object strenuously were you to form such an opinion.

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Withal his death-defying didos, Mr. Reynolds manages to have a splendid time for himself, it seems. For example, he relates in the March 7 issue of *Collier's* Magazine that he was a "diplomat-for-a-day" during the Moscow visit of the Harriman-Beaverbrook Mission. He acted as press attache for the Mission.

Gleefully he remarks that "this was interesting in view of the fact that I could give parties for my colleagues of the press and joyfully charge all expenses to either Beaverbrook or Harriman."

Inasmuch as Beaverbrook and Harriman were financed by the American taxpayers, Mr. Reynolds might have added a note of thanks to his readers who paid for those press parties.

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We have not quite made up our mind whether Mr. Reynolds is simply naive or whether he is a volunteer propagandist for Bloody Joe Stalin; but in either event he is performing a splendid service for the Butcher of the Kremlin. Beautifully sandwiched in his magazine pieces are some touching notes on the Red dictator.

According to *Collier's* soldier-of-fortune, Comrade Stalin has been horribly misrepresented to American people. The Red boss is really a great guy and don't you believe any of those nasty stories you've heard all these years about Stalin's opposition to Christianity. There's nothing to it. It's all the vicious product of lying anti-Soviets. That is the message of Mr. Reynolds.

But let him tell it in his *Collier's* account of a lavish banquet at the Kremlin in honor of the Harriman-Beaverbrook Mission.

"Dinner was one of those fantastic state dinners of 23 courses. Throughout, vodka and wine and finally champagne were served, and throughout, too, there were toasts—36 toasts in all, Stalin making four himself. Even if you took a very small drink each time, you were making par for the course. Stalin drank every toast. However, he drank a mild red Georgian wine. Oumansky translated each toast, doing it so smoothly and quickly that after a while one forgot that any Russian was being talked at all. And then Stalin arose for a final toast. He wasn't smiling now. He looked very solemn and, as his resonant voice went on, the room hushed. Then Oumansky translated:

" 'Mr. Stalin says, "Let us drink a toast to President Roosevelt, who has such a difficult task. He leads a non-belligerent country and yet he wants to give all help possible to Britain and the Soviet Union. Let us ask God to help him in his most difficult task!"

"There was a momentary silence and then a roar of applause," Mr. Reynolds continues. Stalin sat wooden-faced as Harriman leaned over, pressed his arm and thanked him.

"It was an amazing moment. Stalin? We had always been taught to believe that he was the Antichrist. Stalin? Hadn't he said that religion was an opium to drug the people? Hadn't he divorced the Church from the State? And yet here he was solemnly and sincerely going on record before the world as one who humbly asks the help of the Creator! It made one wonder. It made one wonder if some of the Washington committees which in recent years have spent so much time and money in investigating Soviet propaganda in America would not have done better to look into the sources of anti-Soviet propaganda in America."

Come, come, Mr. Reynolds. Either show us your Party membership card or be man enough to admit that the Russian vodka got the best of you.

Radio Used to Spread Birth Control Propaganda

A RECENT Johnstown, Pa., radio program advocating "planned parenthood" was denounced by a prominent Johnstown Catholic layman as "one of the most insidious attacks ever made upon a city," according to the National Catholic Welfare Conference News Service.

In an open letter to Station WJAC, which carried the broadcast, Frederick E. Lenhard, chairman of the Catholic Activities Committee of the Johnstown Knights of Columbus, rebuked the radio station for "allowing the use of its facilities for the spread of such poisonous propaganda as emanated from this program."

"As an American, I call such statements as were made upon that program, subversive," Mr. Lenhard wrote. "As a Catholic with a decent appreciation of life and children, I term these same statements morally outrageous. As a student of national economy and sociology, I deem them ridiculous."

The N.C.W.C. News Service reports that Mr. Lenhard quoted the "planned parenthood" speaker as likening the suppression of birth control facilities to the suppression of "so-called" bad books and opinions. Mr. Lenhard then asked if the National Committee for Planned Parenthood would therefore advocate the spread of pornographic literature.

"Would these same scholars allow Communism and Naziism an entrance to America because the suppression of bad opinions is medieval and perhaps smacks of the Papacy?" he asked.

"If they answer in the affirmative they are traitors to America. If they answer in the negative they have just been talking in circles," Mr. Lenhard concluded.

Plowing Under Children

ADDRESSING a meeting of the Knights of Columbus in Chicago recently, Father J. Hugh O'Donnell, president of the University of Notre Dame, described birth control as "plowing under children"; divorce as "big business"; and so-called mercy killings as "murders."

Father O'Donnell asserted, says an Associated Press report, that Americans "have been putting a prized premium on poodle dogs," while the Axis nations have been increasing their birth rates steadily.

"Think of a Christian nation so callous that it harbors an organization that out-Herods Herod in its slaughter of the innocents," Father O'Donnell said.

"At last in the hour of our need the full extent of their treachery becomes clear. General Hershey will tell you that the United States has not enough men of draft age physically fit to bear arms."

De Los Rios, Again

PUBLIC opinion in Chile is completely on the side of the United Nations and 95 per cent of the people of Argentina are also with the Allies, although their government is not, said Fernando de Los Rios in an interview with the New York *Herald Tribune* (March 3).

Senor de Los Rios, who is a professor at the New School for Social Research, is back from a six-month tour of South America, made on a *fellowship from the Rockefeller Institute* ostensibly to "study original documents concerning the Spanish origins of America."

De Los Rios, in case you've forgotten, was the Ambassador to the United States for Loyalist Spain. He reputedly came with an "expense account" of some $15-million and it was charged that his diplomatic post enabled him to distribute tons of Communist literature in this country.

The Bank of Spain was rated as the world's fifth largest gold reserve when the revolutionists seized it. De Los Rios was the official distributor of many millions.

Ambassador de Los Rios became a bit over-enthusiastic and asserted there was no persecution of the Catholic Church in Loyalist Spain. This brought from the Most Rev. Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Washington, the retort that the Reds' ambassador was "a common, ordinary liar." De Los Rios invited the prelate to visit Spain and see for himself, but Archbishop Curley declined the invitation to "go and get himself murdered."

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Washington Notes

Nelson vs. Engel:

DONALD M. NELSON, War Production Chief, and Albert J. Engel, Republican Congressman from Michigan, are in wordy dispute. Engel persists in charging that manufacturers of women's garments may not receive contracts for production of army clothing (see page 14). The inferred charge is that the non-C.I.O. unions are disparaged.

Engel said he received a letter from Donald Nelson which pointed out the Congressman had been in Nelson's office the week before he made the original charges. Engel replied: "I was never in your office. I have never met you. I have never talked to you."

Mrs. F.D.R. Again in the News:

During the spectacular debate on the debt limit bill the President, Mrs. Roosevelt, Harry Hopkins and Attorney General Biddle were denounced for insisting on carrying on the new order in a time of war at the cost of billions.

Representative Faddis, Pennsylvania Democrat, said Mrs. Roosevelt declared that those Congressmen who were now advocating a reduction for the Farm Security Administration were economy minded in days gone by in preparation for our defense. To this Mr. Faddis replied: "Let those who are about to do without tires know the truth—that legislation was passed years ago to authorize a stock pile of rubber. But the advice of the arm chair strategist, Harry Hopkins, outweighed that of those in the Army and Navy. The money went for leaf-raking and boondoggling."

Representative John Taber of New York said: "You have just voted a $125-billion debt limit. Now it is time for us to stop the Government from fiddling around with the taxpayers' money.

"I have just learned that the W.P.A. on March 5 approved a New York City project to cost $940,106. It is intended to promote the study of 'piano-tuning; library maintenance; copying, indexing and binding of music scores; musical therapy, research work; preservation of rare music; vocal instrumental and band music'."

Evidently Mrs. Roosevelt's remarks touched off some long-awaited fireworks. Congressmen were not satisfied in assailing her indirectly as the above quotations indicate.

Incidentally, the farm bloc outvoted the President's Administration bloc on the farm bill which Mr. Roosevelt, Mr. Wallace and Mr. Wickard supported.

Information Booth:

THE world's largest information booth is about to rise in the heart of downtown Washington. The Federal employes operating therein will try to unscramble the now famous Washington muddle. This information booth — a temporary building — will cost $600,000. It is a part of the expanding Office of Government Reports—the O.G.R. It is a pity that somebody did not add an "E" on to the O.G.R. Consult your dictionary.

The *Washington Post* calls it the "great boondoggle." Elsewhere it was referred to as "Mellett's mad-house."

Federal Bowling:

JACK M. WILLIEM will be the Federal Bowling Co-ordinator. Now that Mayris Chaney and Melvyn Douglas failed to discomfort the Japs by means of their rhythmic dancing and Hollywood artistry, the Federal Government has decided to simply bowl them over.

Senator Byrd disclosed that O.C.D. is squandering time and money on a plan to enroll 25-million men, women and children in a nation-wide bowling fiesta.

If revelations of the dancing, bowling type continue to crop up we will be sure to lose this war by default.

Pudgy Fiorello and omnipresent Eleanor set a high standard for O.C.D.

We hope the incumbent, James M. Landis, will postpone his bowling fiesta else the workers in factories will forget the slogan of "keep 'em flying" and substitute for it, "keep 'em rolling." After all, a nice little slogan like "keep 'em rolling" or "hit the head-pin with Uncle Sam," might cause some embarrassment to Adolfo, Benito and Tojo.

But while we are disclosing where the taxpayers' money is going, let's see the rest of this co-ordinating scandal.

Among these 61 co-ordinators Senator Byrd listed, says the International News Service:

A national badminton co-ordinator, R. Ward Starrett, Chicago.

A national archery co-ordinator, H. A. McCune, Pine Bluff, Ark.

A national bag-punching co-ordinator, Albert A. Nino, Upper Darby, Pa.

A national billiards co-ordinator, Charles C. Peterson, Chicago.

A national canoeing co-ordinator, Theo. Altender, Philadelphia.

A national code-ball co-ordinator, William E. Code, Chicago.

A national miniature golf co-ordinator, Frank Beal, New York City.

A national paddle ball and paddle tennis co-ordinator, also Frank Beal, New York.

A national weight-lifting co-ordinator, Robert Hoffman, York, Pa.

"And these," said Byrd, are "just a few."

"The balance," he added, "include ping pong, horse shoe pitching, marbles, and other things so fantastic as to be almost unbelievable as being an integral part of a program of national defense at a time of great peril to our country."

Byrd, who is chairman of the joint Senate-House committee on reduction of non-essential Federal expenditures, can't see how this program can be carried out without expending a lot of federal money. For the plan, he said, provides:

"That every national co-ordinator of each activity will appoint a regional co-ordinator for the nine regional districts, which would make in all, 610 main co-ordinators, and then local co-ordinators will be established in every community.

"The problem then will be to co-ordinate the co-ordinators, which can only be done at the expense of great effort and public funds, which should be utilized for national defense."

Byrd said he got his information from the man who appointed the bowling co-ordinator—Jack Kelly of Philadelphia, the O.C.D.'s national co-ordinator of physical fitness.

The Sugar Mystery:

THE nation soon will experience Federal sugar rationing. According to Senator Byrd it is difficult to understand the whys and wherefores of Mr. Leon Henderson's ukase relative to sugar. The Senator discovered that the Federal Government is still paying farmers not to produce sugar while the same Government is telling us there is not enough sugar.

In reply to the Senator, Claude Wickard, Secretary of Agriculture, asserted that the halt of benefit payments would necessitate higher prices and thus would cost the Treasury and consumers substantially more than the $48-million in direct outlay that would be saved. All this is too deep for us.

The Secretary of Agriculture tells us that expenditures under the sugar program are governed by a special excise tax of one-half cent a pound on sugar. He pointed out collections from this tax has netted $43-million in the last three fiscal years. Therefore, this program not only pays its own way but puts money into the Treasury, claimed Mr. Wickard. But it does not put sugar into the coffee, says Mr. Citizen. Indeed it is too deep for us.

Wasteful C.C.C.:

Charges of wholesale waste of "valuable and vital defense material" in abandoned C.C.C. camps are under investigation.

Guy McKinney, assistant C.C.C. director, disclosed that a special investigator was sent to Camp S-51 at Pine Grove Furnace, Pa. It was charged that "brand new, unpacked stocks of long underwear, C.C.C. uniforms, oil-skin raincoats, arctics and other rubber overshoes, and even army blankets" have been burned after the camp had been abandoned on February 27th. The charges originated in a copyrighted story in *The Philadelphia Inquirer*. This newspaper also claimed that the C.C.C. is permitting more than 200 useable trucks to rust in open fields.

Colonel McLendon denies the charges as did Joseph J. McEntee, National Director of the C.C.C.

If the *Philadelphia Inquirer* can't substantiate their charges, despite the denial, that paper is in for a shellacking.

Food Shortages:

High officers in the War Production Board are thinking seriously about the need of a new agency to co-ordinate plans for allocating short supplies of food to the citizens. Foreseen scarcities cover coffee, tea, fats and oils. Even a meat and bread pinch may soon come because of:

(a) A shortage of farm labor and machinery;

(b) Britain may require larger supplies of meat;

(c) The United Nations will call on America for supplies of sugar and other foods;

(d) Because the under-nourished one-third population have many members in the Army who are being better fed.

(e) Because there is a shortage of freight cars;

(f) Because there is a plenitude of bungling.

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Biddle Thunders—and How!:

On March 4th, Attorney-General Biddle urged advancement of New Deal social reforms despite the war.

Eugene Cox of Georgia took him to task for using the war to promote New Deal ideologies. Said Mr. Cox: "While we are taking our boys from homes and off the farms for our armed forces, you would think there would at least be a temporary cessation of this campaign of the new orderites to completely reform us.

"It is an insult to the nation to reach out for further New Deal reforms while our boys bleed and die. My God, what will the country stand for?"

Recollect that Mrs. Roosevelt, having retired ungraciously from office, intimated that she was interested in using the O.C.D. to carry on New Deal reforms. All this fits into the pattern and forces us to reinquire: Are there certain persons more interested in putting across their Marxian reforms than they are in winning the war?

David Lawrence, writing on this subject said: "The New Deal holds political power and the New Deal is running the whole Government in the most critical period in all history primarily because it has made a special-privilege alliance with the labor unions—a bloc of votes totalling close to 10-million . . . The rigid work week and popular front ruined France. But apparently the labor politicians must be kept happy and the New Deal must be preserved in the face even of military and naval defeats."

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Taxes:

It is too early to report on any decision relative to the upping of taxes. Mr. Morgenthau's plan is under fire. His office is deluged with letters of protest, many of them originating from workers and farmers upon whom the New Deal depends for its existence.

America won't take it pleasantly—and that is that.

Congress is filled with proposals which are not in harmony with Mr. Morgenthau's tax plans. There are Congressmen advocating a general sales tax of 8 per cent. Others point out the unfairness of a general sales tax which would overburden the poor factory worker whose tax dime is worth a dollar to him compared to the rich man's tax dime.

It strikes us that the only fair way to impose taxes to support the war and the bonds originating therefrom is to eliminate all taxes—except excise taxes—and start fresh with a total income tax levied against every person who receives money or profits in any manner, shape, way or form.

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The Dies Committee:

Congress again agreed to extend the life of the Dies Committee by voting for its use an appropriate sum of money.

Mr. Dies has been the target of all Reds, radicals, and racketeers who refuse to admit the marvelous service he and his committeemen have performed for the United States of America.

No good citizen should be afraid of the Martin Dies Committee.

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How Goes the War?

THE majority of observers seem to be reconciled to the fact that the war will be won or lost in 1942. In their calendars there is no rendezvous with the Axis powers in 1943. Therefore, the war will not wait until we get ready.

As a result of this general observation, our tactics of battling at the Axis powers wherever they happen to strike must be abandoned, so say many Washingtonians. They infer that with our ill-equipped Army and Navy and Air Force it will be necessary to attack the Axis in an offensive warfare now. While the general idea is born of desperation, its devisers failed to say where and how the offensive will be launched. Disagreeing with these offensive strategists are solid minds who entertain the opinion that we had better prepare the United States against an invasion because our forces are not equal to the task of bumping headlong into the Axis powers in the Orient.

Nevertheless, the slogan generally heard at Washington is, "We can't wait."

Meanwhile, General Wavell, conspicuous for not having won a major victory, is in charge of the forces in India which is seething with internal dissension. It is expected that the Japanese will fifth columnize India and spread the gospel that India should be for the Indians.

Before Japan can invade India successfully, it will be necessary for the Nipponese air force to destroy Trincomalee, the most important naval base left to the Allies in the Orient.

This base is situated on the island of Ceylon, which guards the approach to India. It is 60 miles south of the mainland.

The British forces are abandoning Burma, hoping to prevent the Japs from making an overland entry into India.

It is estimated that the Japanese, who conquered Java in eight days, will employ many of the troops and airplanes used in the Java campaign both against India and the heroic General MacArthur. It is not anticipated that Tokyo will make any serious attempt to capture the entirety of Australia, preferring to deal knock-out blows on the Australian centers of population unless the disappointed officials of that commonwealth will agree to a truce.

In Europe, a major diplomatic defeat was suffered by the British, according to a Russian dispatch, when the French fleet, numbering approximately 40 vessels, joined with the Axis powers. This was the result, if the Russian dispatch is accurate, of Britain's bombing the open city of Paris.

Meanwhile British and German air forces have been busy trading blows of a retaliatory nature.

On the Soviet front, a great contest is in the making. The Soviets failed to capture one major stronghold held by the invading Nazi troops during the entire winter campaign. Now both armies are assembling large forces for an all-out battle which will either knock out the Russians and force them to consider arranging a truce or protract the war for an indefinite period.

This impending battle will be one of the bloodiest and biggest in the history of the world—as decisive as Waterloo. If Hitler wins, undoubtedly, he will proceed through the Crimea to the Middle East oil fields, thence to join General Rommel in driving the forces of the United Nations from the shores of the Mediterranean.

All is not going well for the Allies in the battle of the Atlantic. Tankers are being sent to Davy Jones' locker faster than we can build them. This battle is concerned with more than saving England, whose food rations are now at their lowest ebb as a result of Nazi successes. This battle is cutting the life-line between North and South America upon which our good neighbor policy depends. As long as the Axis submarines continue, almost unmolested, in knocking out ships at the present rate, trade between North and South America is seriously threatened. Neither Brazil nor the Argentine will be able to ship us coffee, meat and other products.

This phase of the battle of the Atlantic was reflected in Rio de Janiero where riots against Nazi storekeepers and others were the order of the day.

Although there is a "fishing" agreement existing between Japan and the Soviet Union, it is possible that Japan may make a foray against Vladivostok and other points in the Soviet Union to fit in with Hitler's spring drive on the Eastern front. Or, as it is suggested in some quarters, Japan may serve as an intermediary following Hitler's efforts, if they are victorious, to bring about a cessation of hostilities between Moscow and Berlin.

As for China, it is almost physically impossible for the United Nations to send more aid to Chiang Kai Shek. As much as the Chinese detest the Japanese, there is always danger that the Chinese, disgusted with the white man's repeated failures, will be less inclined to fight the white man's battles. The Chinese are aware of the treatment received by the Dutch at Java, by MacArthur in the Philippines, by the colonial troops at Singapore and Burma, by the Australians in their homeland. These all add up to the one conclusion that China should not rely too much upon help that is too little and too late.

A flurry of excitement was created when the *von Tirpitz* and other smaller vessels of the Nazi fleet showed their mastheads outside the Port of Trondhjem. There are some who entertain the opinion that if the *von Tirpitz* wants to force her way into the Atlantic she can do so some day when the fog hangs low and visibility is almost zero.

Where will the *von Tirpitz* operate? Likely she will assist those ships now engaged in cutting England's lifeline which extends at present to Iceland. Perhaps she will be successful; perhaps, she will be another *Bismarck*.

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At home the war future is beclouded by labor trouble, by indecision, by buck-passing on the part of the Government to the people and by political boondoggling. The taxpayers have done their part in buying bonds and in meeting their Treasury bills. March 15th has made them most conscious of the price they are paying for war as have the various pronunciamentos of Leon Henderson, including the one in which he threatened to take away tires from civilians. Many taxpayers already are asking themselves: Are we getting what we pay for?

Many parents whose sons are serving in the Army for a mere pittance are souring because the soldiers are not better equipped and because the political army goes marching on in prosperity.

Detroit is a city reflecting this mood. In that metropolis it is almost impossible for officials to secure a sufficient number of air wardens. It is also the unfortunate center of incipient race riots in which blacks and whites threatened recently to cause a major disturbance over a housing project which the Federal Government has allocated to the blacks.

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What Others Say

Look Behind You, America!

THE Communists of the United States are for the United States only in so far as they can build up Soviet power.

The Communists of America are boldly using our alliance with Russia in the war against Hitler and Japan to bore underneath our *Constitution* and our American way of life.

The Trojan horse was never more in evidence . . .

This is the United States of America.

We fight for the United States of America—for American principles and traditions.

Meanwhile, steadily, behind our backs, there goes on Moscow-Marxian boring . . .

Suppose Stalin should conquer Germany and Europe, or suppose he should make a separate peace with Hitler.

That would leave thousands of Communists and their confederates in key positions everywhere in this country!

If Nazis occupied the positions that Chairman Dies has revealed, there would be a national explosion—and rightly so.

Look behind you, America!

—Benjamin DeCasseres in the *New York Journal*

Helpful Criticism

NO ONE would be supporting the best interests of the country if he failed to criticize deficiencies in pushing the war effort. The more hammering of incompetents, hammering of activities which divert effort from the war, the better our chance of winning.

Nobody is going to get very far trying to suppress that kind of criticism—and I don't think anybody who needs to be taken very seriously thinks it can or ought to be suppressed.

That kind of criticism does not undermine confidence in the war itself.

—Raymond Clapper

I SHOULD not think that man wise who should employ his time in endeavoring to contrive a shoe that would fit every foot; and they do not appear to me much more wise who expect to devise a government that would fit every nation.

—John Hay, first Chief Justice of the United States

War Guilt Trials Now On

THE real American in this nation isn't going to wait for any Armistice to start his war guilt trials. He's starting them now! In fact, they're already on.

He, apparently, has a much clearer picture of how badly we've been whipped in the first three months of this war than the favor-traders and group-salvers in Washington.

He's begun to find out, if he didn't already know, how France borrowed an industrial pattern from us, tried to use it as a war effort, and went to hell with it!

He sees us now following the same pattern, unchanged, despite the terrible example of another mighty republic we considered our sister, and making exactly the same sort of headway.

This real American, this average America, this "public" that was called apathetic, is aware . . . that this war can be lost, if the Japs can push through India to meet the Germans coming through the Near East.

—Bill Cunningham in the *Boston Herald* (Mar. 8)

Hollywood Exemptions

THE FILES at Washington, D. C., I learn, are crowded with disgraceful letters from Hollywood moguls and producers asking special privileges in the draft for their sons and sons-in-law. Asking specifically for noncombat berths and commissions, which has become a new national game. So I trust that Hollywood was listening intently when the President warned special groups against seeking special advantages.

Let the motion picture industry be warned once again in this space that their frantic pleading for special privileges exposes them to an attack which they won't be able to stand off.

When the first enormous casualty list of the war is printed, and there will be enormous loss of life, the country will be in no temper to accept Hollywood explanations of slackerism. The movie industry *will be wiped off the map,* because casualty lists will enrage the country, and will enrage other parents who didn't try to pull wires to protect their dead sons!

—Ed Sullivan in the *New York Daily News*

Blame Is Shared

EVEN though the British mistakes of commission and omission have been gross, when we consider Pearl Harbor, the *Normandie,* and what has been going on—*and is going on*—in Washington, we are hardly in position to allot blame for negligence or stupidity.

If there had been no Pearl Harbor disaster, there would have been no Singapore disaster . . . Under the circumstances, it does not lie well in the mouths of Americans to belittle the British effort in the Pacific. For failure of that effort our own lack of alertness is at least partially responsible.

—Frank R. Kent in the *Baltimore Sun*

'News' by MacLeish?

SOMEONE is trying to promote an arrangement whereby F.D.R.'s poet and warpublicist, Archibald MacLeish, would write the war *communiques*—not only for the Army and Navy, but for the entire world!

If there is one thing which would break down confidence in the official announcement of news from the front, it would be to take the task away from the Army and Navy. Not even Hitler has tried that.

Communiques in all nations are considered the most factual and conservative of war communications. They are the work of military men, not concerned with hurrah stuff, and they do not express opinions.

The War Department has been particularly clean-cut in its *communiques* so far, and thereby has built up faith in its daily recording of events.

—Paul Mallon

War Profiteering

TAX WAR profiteers 100 per cent on their excess profits, and give one-half of the amount so obtained to discharged soldiers when the war ends. The theory on which this suggestion is made is that during this war no American citizen should be permitted to make a profit greater than that which his ability and experience permitted him to make during the period immediately prior to the emergency and war.

The young men of our nation have given up their jobs, businesses, and opportunities to establish a business, and are serving in the armed forces at $21 a month and board, or slightly higher wages, and in addition to that are risking their very lives. Certainly this is no time to permit wartime profiteering. Our President has said there will be no profiteering during this war, but Congress evidently did not hear him or disagreed with his desire, because the Congress has not enacted one law which will prevent war profiteering.

On the other hand, almost everyone knows that war profiteering is going on merrily at a rapid pace. Even the Truman Committee of this Senate has made a report on part of the war profiteering that is going on.

—Senator W. Lee O'Daniel of Texas

There Is No Answer

WHEN we entered World War No. 1 we had a national debt of only $1,230,000,000. When we finished with that war we owed $26-billion. During the next 11 years, combined with five tax reduction bills, we managed to pay off a billion dollars a year on the average. We reduced the debt by $11-billion in that period. Eleven from 26 leaves 15. That $15-billion is a part of the national debt today of $62-billion which appears on the Treasury statement. But in addition to that, up to December 31 last year, we have paid to the bondholders on that debt $15-billion in interest.

So we started with a billion dollars in round figures, which we owed, and we finished owing $26-billion; we paid $11-billion off in the next 11 years, and we still owe $15-billion and have paid $15-billion in interest to the bondholders.

Now if some of you can figure what the interest charges will be 23 years after we entered this war, when our debt, to begin with, was 45-billion or $49-billion, and will run up to probably $150-billion, I wonder what the sum total will be. You will have to be a close relative of Einstein in order to figure that out to your own and my satisfaction.

—Representative Frank Crowther of New York

Rabbi's Warning

WE KEEP saying that the world cannot exist half Nazi and half free. Can it exist half Communist and half free?

While supporting the Russian people in their great defense, let us recognize the fact that we do not know when the Communists will turn against us, either there or here.

Let us also be sparing of our enthusiasm for foreign systems of government, remembering that America, with all its faults, offers the best answer to those who would constantly improve society, and at the same time preserve "liberty and justice for all."

The tendency of Americans to encourage Communists in society and in our Government, may mean the doom of our system and our country as we know it.

—Rabbi Benjamin Schultz, Temple Emanu-El in the *Yonkers Herald Statesman* (Feb. 21)

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Comment

Dangerous Precedent

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disclaim Jewish Socialists? Ultimately, these super-patriots will deem worthy Americans only such Jews as have wormed their way into Fascist organizations and vigilante groups.

"That the authors of this piece of perfidy do not represent the masses of American Jews, will be made abundantly clear. To counteract its poison and to preclude its repetition, Jews must take active and positive measures. There must be a widening and strengthening of the United Front against Fascism (patriotism). And, if by taking full part in the forging of this United Front, the Jews of America write themselves down as Communists—so be it!"

That concluding sentence is astounding: "And, if by taking full part in the forging of this United Front, the Jews of America write themselves down as Communists—so be it!"

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Now let us inspect the new principle which the Untermeyer "sacred war" introduced into the world.

According to Mr. Untermeyer and his boycott program, the nations of the world must turn their plows into swords whenever a group of Jews—rightfully or wrongfully—is attacked anywhere. Mr. Roosevelt accepted that principle when he announced that Uncle Sam would become a "world policeman." He virtually said: "America, instead of minding her own business and pursuing a program of peace and prosperity, will mind every other nation's internal business — internal, mind you — and pursue the pathways of war and depression — especially if 'Jews' are the internal problem of any nation."

Still withal, the Catholics in America couldn't persuade Mr. Roosevelt to take action in Mexico when their fellow Catholics —more than 600,000 of them—were persecuted and murdered by the Communists, south of the Rio Grande.

And nothing could persuade Mr. Roosevelt and the Government which operates in the shadow of the Davidic Star to break a lance in favor of Ireland who was at that time and is still under the heel of the British Empire.

With Mr. Roosevelt's decisions both in the case of Mexico and Ireland we agree, because we believe that the United States has more than it can do to mind its own business without becoming a participant in any foreign nation's internal affairs, even when these "affairs" are related to persecutions of any race or religion within that nation.

But the Jews, whom Mr. Untermeyer regarded as racialists, think differently when it is a question of Jews — as Mr. Roosevelt apparently did.

Thus, when Mr. Untermeyer inaugurated his world-wide boycott against Germany because 2-million or so Nazis inside Germany were persecuting 600,000 Jews, he wrote a new principle for future generations to follow. Let's investigate this principle further and see how it can work out to the detriment of America.

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The principle is that all nations of the world should organize to settle a Jewish question inside any given nation. As matters stand in the World War in which we are now engaged, those who support Mr. Untermeyer's principle—Britain, the Soviet Union and the United States — are not winning the World War. Already the Dutch Empire is lost. Already Britain and America have suffered major defeats and admit, according to Admiral Hart, they have lost the first campaign. Indeed, we can also lose the last campaign and lose the war despite our potential ability to produce ships, planes and munitions. Let's get that clear: We can lose the war.

Supposing the Soviet Union, whose industrial reserves are three-quarters destroyed, will withdraw from the war; supposing Australia will be immobilized; supposing India will be paralyzed; supposing the United Nations' fleets, matched in power by the Axis fleets, will be defeated, America will be compelled to carry on the war more or less alone. The world against America!

How long will this war be pursued in America? Will Americans graciously bow down to all the totalitarian decrees which will restrict their sugar, their motor cars, their oil, their apparel, their way of life and their pocketbooks simply to satisfy the ambitions of those who translate victory by the complete overthrow of their enemies? Or will the American people want to listen to reason and terminate a war which now no one can win completely, and which Americans can lose completely?

We will leave that answer to the Jews whose sons exercise so much control in the matters of communications, press, cinema and radio—and Government.

Suppose peace will break out as suddenly as did war.

We pause to ponder upon an early peace. Prior to our entrance in the present World War, statement following statement was issued by our President and those close to him assuring the American people there would be no bloody war as far as this nation was concerned—unless attacked.

The same policy of preaching against war while actually getting into it existed in the days of President Wilson. In Chicago on the 31st of January, 1916, Mr. Wilson said:

> "I believe that we can serve the nations at war better by remaining at peace and holding off from this contest than we could possibly serve them in any other way."

At Des Moines, Iowa—during his presidential campaign which was based on "He Kept Us Out of War"—Mr. Wilson said:

> "There are actually men in America who are preaching war, who are preaching the duty of the United States to do what it never would before, seek entanglements in the controversies which have arisen on the other side of the water —abandon its habitual and traditional policy and deliberately engage in the conflict which is now engulfing the rest of the world. I do not know what the standard of citizenship of these gentlemen may be. I only know that I for one cannot subscribe to those standards."

Then suddenly we were in war—despite the above pledges given by Mr. Wilson.

It is needless to quote Mr. Roosevelt's protestations in favor of peace. We know we're in war.

The point is that Mr. Roosevelt and his associates are now protesting in favor of an all-out war to a finish. The conclusion can be deduced that Government leaders' words either in favor of lasting peace or of lasting war can't be relied upon. The war can stop as quickly as it started. Mr. Roosevelt's determination to carry on an all-out war should be relied upon no more than his protestations for an all-out peace.

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If America loses, the Jews in America will recognize this country as practically the only haven in all the world where they can claim safety. But will the Nazis, the Japs, the liberated Asiatics and others forget Mr. Untermeyer's boycott, the sacred war and the principle these established in favor of the "aristocrats of the world" who thought they were on top? No.

Supposing the Axis Powers, plus the hundreds of millions of Asiatics, choose to interfere in the internal troubles of the United States, will it be logical for us to protest, now that we have adopted the principle of interfering in the internal troubles of Germany?

It will not be logical. Through adopting Mr. Untermeyer's world boycott we have sealed a principle which might react upon America in days to come—a principle born in the Jewish mind and executed by a Jewish-dominated government in America and Great Britain, particularly.

The trouble with Americans is that we have gone far distant from the principle set down for our guidance by George Washington, who forgot more about the principles of Americanism than the current progeny knows.

Washington, in his Farewell Address, said:

> *"Why, by interweaving our destiny with that of any part of Europe, entangle our peace and prosperity in the toils of European ambition, rivalship, interest, humor or caprice?"*

Having abandoned that principle of "no foreign entanglements," as it is popularly called; having adopted the principle of world-wide foreign interference in behalf of Jews who are enmeshed in an internal struggle inside some nation, there are dark days ahead for this country, win, lose or draw.

We have left ourselves wide open — if not today, at least tomorrow—for all other nations in the world to interfere in our internal difficulties.

The boycott is a double-edged sword. The left of its blade has struck against Germany.

When will the right of its blade strike against America?

However, the "aristocrats of the world" devised this policy.

To remind you what the word "aristocrat" means, it is derived from two Greek words—"aristos," meaning the best; and "cratein," meaning to rule. The best people as rulers. They may think they are the best rulers. At least their assumption is open to question.

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Congress Ignores Pleas For Monetary Reform

Private Issuance of Money Continues as Debt Interest Mounts

TO ONE who has pored over the *Congressional Record* almost daily for the last two or three years, one peculiar fact stands out in bold relief.

It has to do with the nation's monetary system. Two or three members of the House of Representatives periodically make stirring speeches denouncing the dishonesty of the money system, pointing out clearly the system's multitudinous faults and urging specific reforms.

If any attempt is made to refute the charges of the monetary critics it escapes our notice. Men like Wright Patman of Texas and Jerry Voorhis of California present the most damning indictments against the system of private money creation, and no one rises to contradict them. One would suspect there was general agreement on the subject.

Nevertheless the reform movement scarcely ever progresses beyond oratory on the floor of the House. Occasionally a sound money bill is introduced, but gets snowed under somewhere along the line and eventually receives a quiet burial.

Of late the war program, with its astronomical appropriations, has inspired the would-be money reformers to considerable thought and a moderate amount of speech-making in regard to the perilous national debt and its probable consequences. No one seems able or willing to dispute the proponents of reform, yet no action in the direction of reform is taken.

It is all very baffling.

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In a recent House discussion concerning war-risk insurance Representative Frank Crowther of New York touched on the subject of interest on our national debt. Whereupon Mr. Patman raised an issue that he has dwelt upon intermittently and fruitlessly for some time.

"I humbly suggest to the members of this House," said Congressman Patman, "that they give serious thought and consideration to the question of whether or not it is right for the Federal Government to pay interest on its own obligations.

"Is it right for the *Federal Reserve Banks, 12 of them, privately owned, to have the power to create money on the Government's credit,* and then have the right to use that same money that is created on the Government's credit to buy interest-bearing bonds from the Government, with no other security on earth, and then continue to receive interest on those bonds? This does not make sense. No one can make it make sense, because it is not reasonable. Yet it has been built up over a period of 50, 75 or 100 years, when our interest burden was so low it was not even a problem. But now, as Dr. Crowther has suggested, it has become a problem and a serious one."

The Texas Congressman then recalled that $15-billion of the debt from World War I remain unpaid, and asserted that the cost of the present war would push the total national debt to at least $150-billion even if the conflict "ends within a reasonable time."

Paying 4 per cent interest on such a tremendous amount, "as many of the able men in this House and some of our ablest men here are advocating," would mean $6-billion annually in interest payments alone, Patman declared.

"The American people cannot pay $6-billion a year or even two-thirds of that amount" and still pay the operating expenses of the Government and a portion of the debt principal, he said.

"It will not be possible. We will be in perpetual bondage and there will be no escape from it, Mr. Patman continued. "So I submit to you that we should give serious consideration to the Government stopping the farming out of the use of its own credit and paying tribute to others of $6-billion for the use of the Government's own credit when it is absolutely unnecessary. It is extravagant, it is wasteful, and there is no reason why it should be done."

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The old argument that the Government should pay interest on borrowings because that would act as a restraining influence against over-spending has been shattered, Mr. Patman continued.

The theory was, he said, that if Congress became too extravagant the people would not invest in Government bonds and the bonds therefore would depreciate in value. This, so the argument went, would be an economic barrier against excess Government spending which entailed the issuance of bonds.

"But that argument is exploded now, because the Federal Reserve Board has already announced that it will buy and pay 100 cents on the dollar, with accrued interest, any bond that is offered by any bank," Congressman Patman declared.

"It is true that in times gone by, when miners would go out into the great West and with the use of their hands and through the hardest kind of most difficult work mine out gold and silver, then it was used by our Government as needed exchange; it was practically all the money we had; then if the Government wanted the results of that miner's work, it was right that the miner, if he loaned that gold and silver to the Government, should get interest-bearing bonds and receive interest for its use.

"But in this modern age and modern day," Mr. Patman pointed out, "when we have so changed that the *banks by mere bookkeeping transactions with a fountain pen can create the money and go to the Government's Bureau of Engraving and Printing and get it free of charge, except for 30 cents per thousand dollars,* which is the actual cost of printing it, I think we should seriously consider changing the system and saving the Government interest on money created on its own credit."

One would be inclined to believe that such a fundamental error in the nation's economic set-up, when called to the attention of the House, would evoke some debate.

But no. Mr. Patman's speaking time expired. The gavel fell. And the House resumed a discussion of taxes, the sale of defense bonds and the dangers of inflation. No comment was offered regarding the basic proposals of Mr. Patman to outlaw the private money racket. Newspapers, as usual, ignored the speech, and probably 99 per cent of the American people went on in blissful ignorance of the fraud being perpetrated upon them.

Someone has said that silence is golden. Perhaps that might apply to the Congressmen who, fully aware of the injustice of the present money system, fail to take a public stand against it. Indeed, for them silence may be golden.

Lehman Profits

(1) Partners of Lehman Corporation were active for involvement of the United States in war.

(2) Mr. Wendell Willkie is a director of Lehman Corporation.

(3) Lehman Brothers owned 190,438 shares of the 480,000 shares of American Export Lines, Inc.

Consider these three facts together. Now, read the story of the ship company:

In the first nine months of 1941, the operating income of the American Export Lines amounted to $10,018,362. This compared to $5,894,956 in the same nine months of 1940. The 1941 figure is almost double that of the 1940 period.

The war had not started in 1937. The income of American Export that year was $1,007,213. (Because of a change of fiscal period, 1938 was not used for comparison. It was $581,160.)

In 1939, there were nine months of peace and three months of war. The net income of American Export was $1,430,295.

In 1940, the Neutrality Act had been repealed and there were 12 months of war. The net income of American Export was $7,680,901.

In 1941, the lend-lease program was in effect. In the nine months of 1941, the operating income had reached $10,018,362.

The assets at the beginning of the war were $13,677,029. In 1940, the assets were $28,677,203. Each share had an equity of $27.57 as compared to $10.30 the year before.

The net income for nine months of 1941 was twice as much as the net income for the five years 1935-1939, inclusive.

The income for the third quarter of 1941 was 3,507,688 as compared to a net income of $3,216,988 for the four years preceding the war.

That is worth repeating. The net income for the three months of July, August and September, 1941, is greater by $300,000 than the net income of the same company for the four years, 1935, 1936, 1937 and 1938.

The directors of the firm are W. H. Coverdale (who is the next largest stockholder and also president of the Canada Steamship Lines, Ltd.), his associates, Charles U. Bay and John E. Slater as well as the partners of Lehman Brothers, Joseph A. Thomas, Thomas Hitchcock, Jr., and Harold J. Szold.

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Comment

Averell Harriman, Ship Builder, Friend of 'H.H.', and Profiteer

GONE are the days, it is said, when a success story of Horatio Alger would even interest the American citizens of 1942. It has been said that there is no more opportunity in the United States. Reading this story will dispel that belief.

This is a story of opportunity not only knocking at the door but of opportunity coming inside and sitting down in the living room. It is the story of shipbuilding in 1940 and 1941. It is the story of the Harriman influence in the Cramp Shipbuilding Corporation.

The story of Edward Harriman, the five-dollar-a-week office boy in the New York Stock Exchange, who became the railroad czar of the west, is well known. But this is a story of his sons, Averell and Ronald.

You remember Averell, the one who had the conference with Josef Stalin before the United States loaned the Soviets the first war billion. Or maybe you remember him as the man who expedited lend-lease shipments for London, England. If you don't, you may remember that this is the Harriman who is a crony of Harry Hopkins.

It will be recalled when Harry was trying to get a business man to front his "recovery program," he established the Business Advisory Council for the Department of Commerce with Averell as its head. When Hopkins was under fire in the United States Senate, Harriman came forward as a witness for the President's fair-haired boy and spoke of Hopkins in glowing terms. From then on, it was easy to sell the President on Harriman. He had "H. H." behind him and that was all that was necessary. It was probably noted, too, that Harriman had donated thousands of dollars for the President's re-election in 1936. And that's a thumb sketch of Mr. Averell Harriman.

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Now to go on with the story:

The Cramp Shipbuilding Company had the enormous cash reserve of $302.00 on the first day of August, 1940. No, readers, the decimal point is at the right place but to ease your minds, we shall spell it—three hundred and two dollars. The Cramp outfit was incorporated in July, 1940, to take over the stock of the William Cramp & Sons' Ship and Engine Building Company, and the facilities that had remained idle since 1927 in the city of Philadelphia.

The older Cramp companies had not been so prosperous since the twenties. To the contrary, they couldn't make ends meet. Just to mention a couple of bills, they owed the United States Government $1,106,653 and the city and school districts of Philadelphia, $1,300,000 for delinquent tax liens.

The American Ship and Commerce Corporation, a Harriman company, owned 93,845 shares of William Cramp and Sons' Ship and Engine Building Company (which, by the way, was 61.59 per cent of the capital stock), 33,200 shares of Cramp Shipbuilding Company and 131,427 shares of Cramp Morris Industrials, Inc. (87.62 per cent of the capital stock of this corporation). For identification, perhaps, the American Ship and Commerce Corporation owned 77.78 per cent of the shares of the Harriman Building Corporation.

For this stock, they received 35,200 shares of the NEW Cramp Shipbuilding Company and warrants to buy 88,000 additional shares at $11 for the $2,075,000 worth of bonds it owned and the $125,000 it held as collateral for receivable notes.

In order to keep the facts straight, we wish to note that this company had as its president, W. T. Smith, who was president of the Harriman Industrial Corporation and vice president of the Harriman Building Corporation. George A. Ellis, who had interlocking directorships in the Harriman railroad properties, was on the board, as was Russell W. Hart, secretary of the Harriman Industrial Corporation. We must not forget to mention that William Averell Harriman also was on the executive committee of this organization.

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There had been long, lean years for the owners. No dividends had been forthcoming since 1926, and then a fifty-cent pay-off was listed on the books. Taxes were piling up into the millions.

But the friends of Harry Hopkins had to come through—and they did.

In July, 1940, the Cramp Shipbuilding Company was incorporated to take over the properties. The $1,106,653 owed the United States Government was settled for $100,000. The $1,300,000 owed the city of Philadelphia also was settled for $100,000. For a couple of hundred thousand dollars the sum of two million, four hundred thousand dollars was wiped out. For eight cents on the dollar, the bills were paid.

Warrants were to be underwritten by someone; so Harriman, Ripley and Company did it for a fee of $74,985.

Ships were to be built. On the 29th day of October, 1940, three months after incorporation and less than three months since they had but $302.00 in the cash box, the NEW Cramp Shipbuilding Company negotiated (note that: "negotiated"—not bid) contracts with the United States Navy for the building of the six light cruisers—the Miami, the Wilkes-Barre, the Oklahoma City, the Little Rock, the Galveston, and the Youngstown. The contract price was $18,793,080 for each of the six for a total of $112,000,000. Working plans and specifications were provided by the Navy.

The company got a guaranteed fee of $6,378,480 and a possible bonus of $1,063,800 for a total possible fee of $7,442,280.

The Government gave the company plenty of time to deliver the vessels. The first was to be delivered on January 1, 1944; the next July 1, 1944; the third on January 1, 1945; and the other three to follow in 1945, the last on December 31 of that year.

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But to make the success story more complete, we must tell you of the United States Government contract with the company for $12-million for facilities. This is particularly interesting in view of the fact that the company stated its worth to be only $4,442,937.79. The Government loaned three times the value set by the owners.

Thirty days later, the Federal Reserve wanted to aid the Alger story so they loaned the company $2,500,000.

The following month, a report showed that Harriman, Ripley and Company owned 37,500 option warrants in this company that had sprung to life with more than a hundred million dollars' worth of Navy contracts.

Do not blame us if you become confused in the Harriman corporate names. They are the different ways by which the Harriman influence operates and we desire to be accurate.

The Cramp Shipbuilding Company, with $112-million in contracts, has as its chairman Mr. Joseph P. Ripley, of Harriman, Ripley and Company. One of the directors is E. Ronald Harriman, brother of W. Averell Harriman.

A recent report states that the company will not only build cruisers but hopes to build submarines and hopes to get a contract for an aircraft carrier. No official statement as yet has been made whether the contracts are to be negotiated on a cost-plus basis or not.

We leave the story with you. Millions of dollars' worth of business, guaranteed fees in the millions, paying off old bills to the Government at eight cents on the dollar and a bright future such as this when only a few months before a bare $302.00 was in the cash till.

Could Horatio Alger beat that?

Charge Hillman Shuts Out Rival

CHARGES that Sidney Hillman, foreign-born Jewish radical, is using his influence as labor director of the War Production Board to swing war work to his own labor union, were aired on the floor of Congress, recently.

Representative Albert J. Engel of Michigan told the House that under a special arrangement, approved by W.P.B. Director Donald M. Nelson, all uniforms and clothing for the military services must be given to firms normally engaged in the manufacture of men's clothing.

Through this arrangement, Congressman Engel contended, Hillman favors his own union—the Amalgamated Clothing Workers—and discriminates against the International Ladies' Garment Workers Union, headed by David Dubinsky.

The war board argues that since 2-million men have come into the Army from civilian life they would no longer buy civilian clothing and that the makers of men's garments are "entitled to the business."

Yet the fact remains, Mr. Engel pointed out, that "priorities are directing all wool and a large part of the available cotton textiles into military contracts. As a result the makers of women's garments (Dubinsky's union) are forced into increasing idleness, while those making men's garments (Hillman's union) have more work than they can handle!"

"Is Sidney Hillman interested in production for war purposes, or is he interested in and devoting his energies to production of war materials in his own organizations?" the Michigan Congressman asked.

"Is Donald Nelson the 'production czar,' or is Mr. Nelson merely an automaton sitting on the production czar's throne, while Sidney Hillman sits behind the throne pulling the wires and pressing the buttons which manipulate the automaton called Donald Nelson?"

The stocky and combative Congressman, says the *New York Sun*, reported that he had got his information directly from the Quartermaster-General Maj. Gen. Edmund Gregory.

"He informed me," Engel reported, "that the War Production Board had *given orders that only manufacturers of men's clothing were eligible to bid.*"

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Comment

The Unprintable Harold L. Ickes

LOVEABLE Harold L. Ickes is a card. There isn't a thing in the way of obscenity that he can't think of when he puts his mind to it.

Of course, Harold is an idealistic New Deal humanitarian, whose mind thinks lofty thoughts and whose heart bleeds for the exploited millions. So we're told, at least.

But when he applies himself—and that isn't difficult for him—he can be more foul than a cheap burlesque comedian's jokes. Unfortunately, the most indisputable evidence at hand to support this statement must for reasons of propriety be suppressed. SOCIAL JUSTICE is a family magazine.

To convey the general idea, however, we reprint a recent article from the *Chicago Tribune,* which also could not print some of the language employed by the Secretary of the Interior in a letter to a New England editor which was published in the *Congressional Record* of February 26.

If Ickes' language is any measure of his mental makeup and that of his political colleagues, it explains much of what has happened in Washington.

Says a *Chicago Tribune* story datelined Washington, D. C., February 26: The House of Representatives listened in shocked silence to the reading of a letter written by Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes assailing an editorial printed last July in a small New England newspaper. The language, said many members, set some sort of a new record, even for Ickes, noted for his unrestrained expressions.

Signed by the Secretary in his capacity as a member of President Roosevelt's Cabinet, the missive was addressed to Robert M. Sperry, publisher of the Bridgeport (Conn.) Life. Representative Clare E. Hoffman, who read it into the record, termed it an example of the manner in which Ickes has created disrespect for high official position.

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The letter follows:

"Washington, D. C.
"February 2, 1942.

"Mr. Robert M. Sperry,
"Publisher, Bridgeport Life,
"Bridgeport, Connecticut.
"Dear Sir:

"A man whom I do not know has sent to me a tear sheet from your issue of Saturday, July 26, 1941. My correspondent speaks of your 'filthy mind and paper,' and he also seems to think that you are a coward. Undoubtedly he is right on all scores. The impression seems to be that the filth in this editorial surged up from the cesspool that passes with you for a mind. However, it doesn't much matter whether you actually wrote the thing or not; as publisher you are responsible.

"I don't know you and I had never heard of you until this letter came. Now, although I still have never met you, I feel that I know you very well as a cowardly, skulking cur."

Then the letter in unprintable language said that Ickes, in his mind's eye, could see Sperry eating filth and rooting for morsels of food in a pig sty.

The letter closed with:

"It is undoubtedly perfectly natural for you to think the putrid thoughts which you naturally express in the language of the gutter.

"Very truly yours,

"HAROLD L. ICKES,
"Secretary of the Interior."

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Hoffman said he regretted having to add such material to the enduring records of Congress but said he believed the matter worthy of the attention of the House. He added he did not know what the original editorial contained but on the basis of Ickes' reply he urged steps to "disinfect, fumigate, and, if possible, render innocuous" the Secretary's utterances.

Ickes' letter was published in the Feb. 14 issue of the *Bridgeport Life.* Hoffman told his colleagues, together with a reply from Publisher Sperry. In the reply, which was also inserted in the record, the *Bridgeport Life* asserted that "if we hurl a stone at a gang of dogs, the one doing the yelping is the one we think we hit."

The *Life's* reply to Ickes follows:

"Editor's note — Had this letter been written by an inebriated derelict from the slums the language used would have caused it to be relegated to the waste basket, but written as it was by a super-educated member of the President's cabinet, we pass it along to show the revengeful temper of its author . . .

"His (Ickes') opinion of editors and the press has been well established. The freedom of the press has long been one of his pet peeves. Mr. Ickes has proved in his letter that should President Roosevelt ever drop him as he did Jim Farley he can get a job as columnist on a tabloid or run Walter Winchell a close second on the radio. His vocabulary in the lower brackets assures him this . . .

"With what little freedom there is left to the press, Mr. Ickes, permit us to maintain that we have a right to think that, if we hurl a stone at a gang of dogs, the one doing the yelping is the one we think we hit. So, keep on writing, you are going places. The place we will leave to your own selection.

"It has just been announced that from now on all speeches to be delivered by members of the Cabinet must first be given the once over by Mr. Archibald MacLeish, head of the new Office of Facts and Figures. It might not be a bad idea to include the editing of letters before they are mailed."

Robert R. Nathan

A RECENT edition of the *Sentinel* (Jewish) gives us the following information:

"Robert R. Nathan, 33-year-old economist and statistician, will soon be named as head of the three-man planning board chosen by Donald M. Nelson, war production director, as 'the best thinker I can find.' This is not Robert Nathan, the poet, but doubtless this Mr. Nathan is one of the children of Israel, a fact which has not militated against him in the eyes of Mr. Nelson. The country is looking for another Bernard Baruch who proved such a tower of strength in the first World War, and in all probability one of a number of men like Mr. Baruch may emerge in the present crisis. It is good to know that 'one of our boys made it,' though the anti-Semites must not imagine that being a member of a brain-trust group necessarily means power and authority. *These remain in the customary hands, namely, those who are economic and political rulers of America.*"

The last sentence of this article is most interesting, but it would be more interesting if some of the "political and economic rulers" were named.

Color Complication

IF MR. ROOSEVELT does not take a firm hand and "do something about" Colonel Knox, this country may not only lose the war, but we may invite the enmity of the rest of the world for all time.

The latest "boner" of the Chicago newspaper publisher who is running our war-time Navy was his insult to T. V. Soong, head of the Bank of China, and brother-in-law of Chiang Kai Shek.

In an effort to cheer up the Chinese statesmen, says the *Chicago Tribune,* Knox *patted him on the back.* This was bad enough, heaven knows, but the Master Blunderer of the New Deal added:

"That's all right, T.V., *we'll lick those yellow devils yet!*"

A faint look of surprise came over the well-controlled bland features of the visitor from the Orient. The co-hero of San Juan Hill had the grace to blush a fiery red.

But it will require a lot of high-powered diplomacy to undo the insult.

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It's time we Americans took a tumble to ourselves.

We have been out looking for a war with the Orient for a good many years. Now we've got it. It's time we realized something of what we're up against.

It would not be a bad idea if all of us, including the Administration and its too-willing spokesmen took heed of Mrs. Pearl Buck's counsel against using the word "yellow" when we speak of the Japs.

Our Chinese allies are "yellow people," too, Mrs. Buck reminds us, and adds that the whole Orient has been annoyed to the point of explosion over our constant reference to them as "colored" peoples and ourselves as "white."

We are about the only people in the world who still persist in this short-sighted affront to others. It is the more insulting since each use of the color designation carries with it the implication that the white people regard themselves *ipso facto* as superior, without doing anything to prove it.

The exploited and enslaved peoples of the Orient—China, India and all the lesser countries—who have experienced life under white "masters," are not ready to concede that "whiteness" means superior intelligence or superior justice. They have had much evidence to the contrary.

This has not been helped by the exploitations of a *clique* of internationalists who are of questionable "color" themselves.

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This is all of a piece with a local Civilian Defense orator's "boner." Sent out to make a speech, he found his audience was a group of Detroit negro women. The speaker plunged into his theme with enthusiasm and came to an emphatic oratorical period wherein he found himself declaring that Japan was fighting *to destroy the white race!*

He paused in startled confusion, and the embarrassed silence was broken by the shout of a buxom matron in the rear of the room:

"It's time somebody did!"

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Letters

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It Takes Courage To Be an American

TO THE EDITOR:

Many strange fashions have been introduced to the American people within the last two years. That of name-calling heads the list. Before the Pearl Harbor humiliation, any citizen who dared to speak up for the defense of America; who dared to demand that the welfare of our country be put before every other consideration—was shouted down as a "Nazi" and an "isolationist."

Since the Pearl Harbor humiliation, those John and Jane Does who pay the bills, shed the sweat and spill the blood, still endeavoring to procure the safeguarding and preservation of the U.S.A., its liberty, life and freedom, and the principles of our Christian Founding Fathers, are now called "fascists," and "fifth columnists."

This code of treatment for our citizens is under the benediction of the Administration, whose politicians have done some name calling themselves. An Administration which folds close to its heart the godless, evictees from Europe, hurls insults and threats at citizens of the United States of America for daring to love above all else their own America!

San Francisco, Calif. —M.A.C.

British Agents Also 'Foreign'

TO THE EDITOR:

Any high school boy and girl can observe the infiltration of Communism into our Government, our schools and our social system. The "Commies" openly advocated the overthrow of our Government; they disrupted our economic system, and brought about changes in our social and religious system—sometimes, at Government expense.

The most casual observer could quote seditious statements from their multitude of books and pamphlets calling for the overthrow of Government by force.

Moreover, evidence is available showing that many of these subversives are on the payroll of the Soviet; while other activists obtained their revolutionary training in Moscow.

These Commies have all but outgrown and overpowered the F.B.I. Something must be done about it pretty quick. Making Earl Browder a scapegoat for faking passports does not satiate our demand to see all un-American activity suppressed.

The F.B.I. *has remained closer to the line of good Americanism than any other Governmental agency;* hence, the tremendous pressure on them. But that is not enough. We were not satisfied to relax our vigilance against the Nazi Bundists just because Fritz Kuhn was locked up.

I have transcriptions from talks given at meetings of British organizations that are seditious to the nth degree! If a Nazi or a Jap said one-tenth as much as these foreigners they would be spending time behind the bars now. And Britain pays the bill for most of this propaganda.

A British subject in Cincinnati boasts that he receives a monthly income from his government to visit tap-rooms and dining rooms to "promote" good feeling among Americans for the British government. He laughs at the idea that his check comes "from his wife's estate." This has been going on for more than twenty years!

Cincinnati, Ohio —N.P.

People Onto the Racket

TO THE EDITOR:

Let us not "hedge." Let's keep everlastingly pointing our fingers at the usurers. Expose them, oppose them at every turn. Our schools failed to do this—so we who know the score will have to do it.

The "complacency" that Washington's politicians are so disturbed about isn't complacency at all. It is just good common sense, fast losing patience with "bunk."

The people of this country as a whole love America, make no mistake about that. But they are not going to be enthusiastic over the mass-murder of the youth of our land *to perpetuate a corrupt international usury racket!*

A dishonest money system, which we failed to correct when we had the chance—and which our New Deal politicians promised the nation that they would correct—is now reaping a fearful toll.

—J.H.L.

Plainview, Minn.

They Want the Facts

TO THE EDITOR:

Recent estimates show that some 20 to 1 were strongly in favor of the continuation of Bill Cunningham's aggressive constructive criticisms in the *Boston Herald.*

Many are of the opinion that improvement in Administration policy from time to time is the result of the public making known their will to their Representatives in Congress.

By an unusual irony, many of the very ones in favor of Cunningham's articles would at the same time condemn SOCIAL JUSTICE and Father Coughlin for pro-Axis publicity if not "treason" to the country. And many of these Cunningham articles are almost word for word what SOCIAL JUSTICE has been writing for years!

—L.P.N.

Boston, Mass.

U. S. A. Was Happy Land Till Communism Came

TO THE EDITOR:

For our own sakes, fellow Americans, and in the name of our immortal forefathers, let us—ere it is too late—comprehend the clear and utter truth behind this word "Communism." Factually, it is the most vicious system that the world has ever seen.

We find the Reds in this country going along with this war, solely to further the ends of the Kremlin. Day by day they are sabotaging our *Constitution* and the true American way of life.

When we hear their cry, "Russia fights the war of free peoples against despotic tyranny," how Stalin must snicker!

Can we not even remember that, during the recent period of Soviet-German friendship, the Communists here did all in their power to foment revolution and keep America out of war? The European war was denounced as capitalistic and imperialistic. But, no sooner had the two dictators a falling out than our Red friends came all-out for the same war they had been working against!

This about-face should convince each of us for all time where the allegiance of the Communist lies. Certainly, it is not with America.

God knows the uncorrected abuses of capitalism were many and varied. Yet, does even this mean that a worse extreme is to be embraced?

Remember for a moment that our great country was a glorious and happy land until that ugly word "Communism" was brought here by red revolutionaries to whom America had given asylum when they were driven out of older lands.

We who read SOCIAL JUSTICE will never forget that it was the uncorrected abuses of capitalism that gave rise to Communism. But, why do hundreds of Communists *hold key positions in the Government of the United States?*

Why is this boring in permitted, from within and without?

Why has the Dies Committee investigating un-American activities always been "unpopular" with the Administration?

Why the terrific smear of the Dies Committee now?

—M.J.K.

College Pointe, N. Y.

Birthrate and War

TO THE EDITOR:

You would think our Congressmen and Senators would put a clamp on these birth controllers because, after this war, maybe in another 20 years, we will have to fight still another war. Then where will we be?

As long as the Government allows the women to take over work in defense plants that unemployed men could do, in 20 years' time there will be no boys to protect our country—only old men.

There are many men past 44 who should be taken on first for work in defense plants. If we did this we would then have every man working, and many of the women could stay at home and mind their children instead of letting them run the streets, as now.

If the husband is working, the wife should stay home and cook her husband a good meal, instead of feeding the whole family out of tin cans. If the husband is sick or in the armed forces, or slain in action, the wife should be given priority over other working women to support herself and family.

Some men are earning good money and now the wives want to earn, too.

But, as a nation, let's get next to ourselves and put the jobless men to work first. If women generally go into the defense plants, in another 20 years our population will be about 90-million, more or less, instead of 130-million.

—G.H.S.

Venice, Calif.

Union Means 'Equality'

TO THE EDITOR:

No hoped-for "union of nations" can be successful without removal of tariff barriers between member nations. This would compel the American farmer and the American working man to compete on an equal footing with the Chinese coolie, the low-caste small farmer of India, the few-pennies-a-day African laborer, the Russian serf, and the poorly paid workman of the Continent.

The standards of living in every country, inevitably, would be lowered to those prevailing in the most pauperized nation in the union.

Under such a system, a very few would become still more tremendously wealthy and powerful while all the rest of us would be lowered to the level of the coolie and the serf.

Union with Britain now is but a stepping stone to World Union. It is surprising to find a Cabinet member and a Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court subscribing to it.

By all means, let us keep more of the light of pitiless publicity playing on these two schemes to rob us of our true freedoms.

—M.J.S.

Newport, Kentucky

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Letters

Wants Fr. Coughlin Counsel

TO THE EDITOR:

I enjoy your paper very much; but, I must be candid with you—I would like very much to see a few lines from Rev. Charles himself as we, his everlasting friends, long with all our hearts for a few words from him.

The day will come when his counsel will be sought. And may God speed that day.

I read with keenest interest of how the slick politicians are trying to place the blame for the mess they have made of everything. But more and more people know where the blame belongs.

I am a middle-aged woman and cannot do much but tend to my family and pray. Perhaps, it doesn't make much difference what people of my standing think; but sometimes I wonder if Our Dear Lord will save us in time, or are we to be enslaved like other peoples?

—Mrs. E.B.

Providence, Rhode Island

Protestant's Suggestion

TO THE EDITOR:

I wish to say thanks again for the *Lenten Missal* you sent me. I am reading it each morning and will take it up as soon as I have put this in the mail box.

As a Protestant, I believe many would, perhaps, go into the Catholic church if, as this *Missal* suggests, more of the service there was in English and a responsive service; and if the congregation sang a hymn occasionally instead of the choir doing it all.

Last Memorial Day, I listened to the broadcast from Our Lady of Sorrows. It was lovely. The congregation sang, and then there was responsive reading of the Mass by the priest and congregation in English. I thought what a pity more of the churches couldn't conduct their services that way.

Perhaps, that will come in time; the "popularity" of the church will certainly be strengthened.

—A.E.H.

Pensacola, Florida

'Business' Is Good

TO THE EDITOR:

Some time ago I made a suggestion that it might increase circulation if you could publish a chapter or two of some good book in each edition of SOCIAL JUSTICE. For instance, *"The Mystical Body of Christ"* by Father Fahey or *"The Jews"* by Hilaire Belloc.

Through Father Coughlin I obtained the former book and read it. Then the heads of the Order of Christian Brothers of Ireland in West Point, New York, asked me for it and I gave it to them. I have a son in that Order.

In closing, I may say that, last August, 5 pounds of tea sent to Ireland cost $4.90; today, I paid $6.25 for the same amount. I can send tea to Ireland through the postoffice, but Uncle Sam will not insure it. My New York dealer insures it through a London insurance firm. So far this tea is being delivered safe and sound in Ireland. With England's rulers, it's always "business first."

—E.T.F.

New York City

Interest to 'the Boys'

TO THE EDITOR:

Having read the article in your SOCIAL JUSTICE Magazine recently pertaining to transferring the interest on defense bonds to the benefit of our soldiers and sailors, I thought that inasmuch as the public is receiving 3 per cent on money invested in war bonds, why should not the general public give at least one per cent of this interest to the same cause?

Not knowing the exact figures, I do not know if the amount would make it worth while advocating such a proposal.

It is something for readers to think about.

—G.S.M.

Utica, New York

Youth Is Informed

TO THE EDITOR:

This war is no joke. Yet, we find comedians on the radio and movie screen, and in even a great part of the press, making the Japanese people the butt of supposedly funny cracks. It might be a bit wise for all of us Americans to pause and ask ourselves just how "funny" the situation really is. Who are the jokes on?

We seem to have created an imaginary national psychosis which passes off with levity any grave situation.

In the meantime, Singapore has fallen; Australia is virtually under seige; the courageous Gen. MacArthur has his back to the wall, while we sing, *"You're a Sap, Mr. Jap"!* All of which might be well if we were winning a war.

As usual, it is we young people who will have to do the fighting, and dying. You oldsters will sit and do the cheering.

The leaders of our nation are facing a much more intelligent youth than fought in the last war. We have educated thousands. The truth that was "crushed to earth" in 1917 has had 20 years in which to lay off its shrouds so the facts about the last war could be revealed.

Americans must take warning. Are we to win this war, or lose it? Who is responsible for the chaos and confusion in public and private life?

All these things have to be answered—not in some distant future, but right now!

—J.C.

Cohoes, New York

New Reader Asks To Sell Paper

TO THE EDITOR:

Your magazine SOCIAL JUSTICE was accidentally put into my hands by one of your advocates, and after reading it completely I was so impressed by the truth it expressed, that I wish to make it better known in this city, where, I am quite certain, it is unknown.

I have enclosed the blank you have printed and await your detailed information.

—N.E.

Park Falls, Wisconsin

She Saw It Happen

TO THE EDITOR:

As you know, I was born in Austria. Well do I remember how our priests shouted from the pulpits how God loved the poor; but they always failed to denounce the ones that kept us poor!

When our stomachs were so empty that they seemed to touch our backbones, we wondered what kind of God would permit 10 per cent to have everything and 90 per cent to have nothing. According to the teaching of our Holy Church, God had created us all in the image of Himself and called us His children.

It was then that many began to lose faith in their church leaders and Socialism came into power in Catholic Austria. Hatred began to grow among the people *against the self-chosen people.*

Today's chaos is the fruit of the same disorder. Church leaders are the more responsible since they bowed to the money-changers and did not denounce them.

But I remember we had a few of the clergy who would come to our humble little homes, way back in 1909-12. They told us on these visits that the sinister international bankers were preparing the nations for a world war; but they could not work up enthusiasm for the war, and they had to kill the Crown Prince to bring it about.

I can see more clearly every day *the same thing happening here in America that happened to my beloved Austria.* It frightens me because I lived under the same sinister group over there.

All I can say is God help us and give us the strength to stand up under it. As long as we stand united, those of us who understand what it's all about—the followers of Father Coughlin's instructive broadcasts over all those years—we may be able to come through the storm.

—R.R.

Elkhart, Indiana

If We've a One-Day Religion, There's a 'Red' Reason

TO THE EDITOR:

Sir Kippered Cripps' sneering remarks about Christianity being a "one-day-a-week" religion and his praising, in contrast, the Communist racket as "full-time religion," marks an all-time low in gratuitous insolence to the millions of Christians who tolerate the likes of him in high places.

Comrade Cripps must think his public hopelessly dumb when he tries to kid them into believing that the Red racket in the Union of Socialist Slave Republics is all sweetness and light, and that Comrade Stalin is the new Messiah who is spreading the gospel of brotherly love by means of the three cardinal G.P.U. virtues of terrorization, degradation and annihilation.

If Christianity has become a "one-day" religion, it is chiefly because Comrade Cripps and his leftist crew have schemed and planned with Luciferian frenzy to prevent the practicing of Christian principles in everyday life.

From the days of Christ to the present, they and their cabal have utilized every means to corrupt, deprive and subvert society—out of their devilish hatred for Christ and their fear that HE might someday reign triumphant over the world.

These master-purveyors of the Lie, and their hired demogogues, are always yelling "Stop, Thief!" to hide their own guilt.

In their Socialist-Marxist-Communist-Anarchist-liberalist-modernist-progressivist slander factories they continually rehash the stale canard that the Church has always been an "Instrument of class exploitation." Yet, everyone with the least knowledge of history undistorted by leftist bigots, knows that *the Church was always the only friend of the poor and lowly,* and alone defended them against the oppression of feudal princes, the despotism of absolute monarchs, the rapacity of Judeo-Puritan usurers, and the wage slavery of modern plutocrats and their democratic and totalitarian front men.

And that is why Christianity has always been attacked through the ages by the secular powers and their subversive pseudo-humanitarian racket.

Not "the Church," but the *anti-Christian conspiracy* is the real exploiter of the working class, while dangling the bait of "liberty, equality, fraternity" and other fraudulent mirages before the deluded and ignorant masses the better to enslave them.

The best refutation of Comrade Cripps' hokum anent red religiosity is to be found in *"Mission to Moscow"* by ex-Ambassador Joseph Davies. Try as he does to lean over backwards and say something nice about Stalin, Litvinov and their "great experiment," Davies is honest enough to admit that he is convinced from his observations in the proletarian paradise that *"Communism can never succeed!"*

—J.P. McN.

Philadelphia, Pa.

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Bureaucrats

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hundred planes, a few thousand well-armed troops."

(10) "While Winston Churchill and the rest of the War Cabinet remained silent, Lord Beaverbrook's powerful newspapers began taking pot shots at Sir Stafford. Wrote the *Evening Standard's* brilliant, liberal editor Frank Owen: 'Cripps had better get off that "it-all-depends-on-you" theme . . . We have had enough appeals to self-sacrifice. What the nation needs is not appeals but orders . . .' "

Neither *Time* nor *Newsweek* is pro-Nazi or defeatist. The above excerpts are samples of truthful reporting and prudent comment.

The *United States News* and *Business Week* are two weekly magazines even more notable for their currently straightforward evaluation of things as they are, not as they appear to be through the rose-colored glasses of misguided radicals.

And the *Chicago Tribune* is most fearless in condemning the Administration's ineptitude and deception. An editorial in the March 7 issue boldly asserted that:

> Our Government has taken refuge in the air raid shelter of censorship. After three months of war the American people are not informed from official sources of what has happened. From coast to coast people pass the word of what they have heard and they know the Government is covering up, not to deceive the enemy, which has the facts, but to protect itself and hide its astonishing derelictions and faults of judgment.

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And now let's talk about bureaucrats, that species of the modern American politician who cannot stand honest criticism, but, instead, passes the buck for his failures and blames war reverses on the apathy of the American people.

Our people have been patient—overly patient—with a muddling, inefficient leadership which refuses to stop playing politics in the midst of national disaster.

One out of every eleven citizens, according to the Hearst papers, is employed by the Federal Government in its widespread bureaucracies. According to the *United States News,* there are 1,670,000 bureaucrats on the New Deal payroll. These constitute a political army of favored sons and daughters. And many of them are engaged in prospering the New Deal and its ideologies while our military army is engaged in tasting the gall of defeat upon defeat.

One can't have two armies in this country. Either the political army must be liquidated or the military army will be sacrificed. We can't work at a New Deal and a World War at one and the same time. We must abandon one or the other.

Never in the history of the world was there such a cocksure bureaucracy as is represented by this New Deal. Never in the history of the world was there such a generous citizenry as is represented by the Americans of today.

The New Deal was goose-stepped into every antecedent that led to the World War. The captains of the goose-stepped bureaucracy told their followers that Hitler would be driven from the face of the earth; that Tokyo would be bombed out of existence in seven weeks.

Because they were so cocksure, they dissipated our Navy over the seven seas and left the Caribbean cargo ships an easy prey for deathly markmanship.

Because they were so cocksure they thought their way of thinking would be the pattern for the world. They promised the American people that the best way to maintain peace was to become the arsenal of democracy.

Because they were so cocksure, they snapped their fingers at any person who warned them about the latent power of Japan and the hidden power of the Axis.

Because they were so cocksure, they failed to build up a supply of crude rubber latex and tin and other commodities.

Let's get it into our heads that we can lose the war—and lose it this year. More than that, it is not only possible to lose the war but it is now possible for the enemy to invade this country, because Government leaders have neglected defense.

If the muddling at Washington persists, perhaps this generation will live to see the day when Tojo's boast will be realized.

And the muddling consists chiefly in trying to implement the policies of the New Deal, of the new social order, while the country is battling for its life, its existence, its homes and properties.

Let's tell the sordid truth about all this because, after all, it's our homes which are in jeopardy. If necessary, clean out of Washington not the parasites referred to by certain officials, but the bureaucrats—many of them dyed-in-the-wool Marxists to whom, we are beginning to suspect, the putting across of the New Deal is more important than the winning of the war.

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We have no recent figures on the distribution of the 1,600,000 bureaucrats—the political army—resident in Washington and stemming over the nation therefrom.

We have figures, however, from June, 1941, which tell us a scandalous story. In that year the following executive departments and bureaus had the following number of employes:

State Department	7,009
War Department	320,291
Treasury Department	65,573
Justice Department	21,401
Post Office	301,215
Navy Department	222,862
Interior Department	47,980
Agriculture Department	91,146
Commerce Department	23,896
Labor Department	4,579

Let's tell the truth and shame the devil. If we want to win the war or, at least prevent the enemy from winning it, we can have only one army—a military army. And we can have only one objective—a military objective.

There's no room for a political army and a political objective in these perilous times.

It is outrageous that representatives of more than 1,600,000 Federal employes appealed last week to Congress to expedite legislation which would give them wage increases and overtime pay to meet the increased living costs. If this political army is allowed to get away with that, what are we going to say about the boys in the foxholes of Bataan and on the cold-swept plateaus of Iceland?

Whether our readers know it or not, we have a potential band of Communists in this country operating on the principle that the Government owes them a living—a Government which they will sustain in office to the detriment of the taxpayers, the home owners and the fighting men who are under the impression that we are engaged in a war to save our way of living.

And we paid our taxes on March fifteenth to support, among other things, this bureaucracy infiltrated with Communists. We paid taxes to keep them in bread, butter and influence while they are engaged in stealing our country from us.

General Percival Led The Black and Tans

THE *Irish Echo* (Feb. 21) published an editorial which disclosed that Lieutenant-General Percival, British commander at Singapore who surrendered to the Japanese, distinguished himself fighting the Irish.

At last the long arm of justice caught up with him.

In part, the *Irish Echo* editorial reads as follows:

"The *New York Times,* in writing about Lieutenant-General Percival, who was in command of the British Army that surrendered Singapore, pointed out that some of his outstanding feats in the past took place when he was fighting the Irish. This is unquestionably true. He is responsible for the scene of desolation which is reproduced on this page. He was a British officer in Cork when that city was burned and sacked. He was one of the officers in charge of the Black and Tans, the gang of released felons who were sent to teach Ireland a lesson, when, after the last war, Ireland demanded the freedom that had been promised her.

"This is probably intended by the *New York Times* as a laurel for Lieutenant-General Percival. But let us quote from the report of the American Commission on Conditions in Ireland, which investigated the activities and the depradations of the Black and Tans. Remember, this is not what we say. This is part of the statement of a group of Americans including Mayor La Guardia, William Allen White, Bishops, Rabbis and leaders of every creed and in every field.

" 'The Imperial British forces in Ireland have indiscriminately killed innocent men, women and children, have indiscriminately assassinated persons suspected of being Republicans; have tortured and shot prisoners while in custody, adopting the subterfuge of refusing to halt and attempting to escape, and have attributed to alleged "Sinn Fein Extremists" the British assassinations of prominent Irish Republicans.'

"The Irish people have not forgotten these things. They could hardly be expected to forget them. I know one young man, now fighting in the armed forces of the United States, whose mother was murdered by the Black and Tans. I know another who was related to Fr. Michael Griffin—another of their victims."

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Is There Freedom of Religion?

FREEDOM of religion is a substantial part of the spirit of America.

So is freedom of education.

So greatly do we cherish the freedom of education that municipalities, states and the Federal Government itself appropriate taxation money from the citizens to build grade schools, high schools, technical schools, universities and other types of educational institutions.

So realistic is the American interpretation of freedom of education that state legislatures insist that children under a given age must be enrolled at schools to receive instruction.

Freedom of education is no abstract, academic liberty in America. It is absolutely realistic, having been translated into many thousands of buildings and enforced by rigorous laws.

Not so with freedom of religion. For Americans freedom of religion is something to orate about, to boast about, to gloat about. Neither municipalities, nor states, nor Federal Government appropriate money to translate this freedom from the realm of ideals into the work-a-day life of reality.

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On the statute books of this nation's several governments there are found no compulsions impelling parents to bestow religious training upon their offspring.

On the contrary, there exist laws to protect those who militate against freedom of religion. Communists and atheists who are foresworn to abolish religion are protected.

It is said that freedom of education is vital for the permanency of America and its institutions.

It is argued that knowledge is virtue.

And what is education? Does it consist only in developing the brain to perceive, to remember, to plan?

Is it identified only with discerning the substances of matter, with discovering the unseen elements in a test tube?

Does it limit itself to the training of nimble fingers and strong bodies?

In a word, is knowledge virtue? If knowledge were virtue, Lucifer would be the most virtuous creature created by God; Lenin would stand on a par with Thomas of Aquin; and Hitler would be classified with an Augustine or Bonaventure.

If knowledge were virtue we would be forced to admit that our prisons are filled with saints.

Knowledge is not virtue; for more than mere knowledge is required to fashion virtuous citizens.

Listen to the Holy Word of Scripture which crystallizes the curricula of all education in these words: "Teach me goodness, discipline and knowledge." Goodness stands first; discipline stands second, and knowledge ranks but third.

Still, in our concept of liberty of education we have planned to exempt goodness by exempting God. We have plotted to overthrow discipline by placing a halo around the uncouth brow of license and individualism.

Without religion, pure and undefiled, there can be no solid education, no scientific discovery of the causes of things—particularly that First Cause from which all things flow.

Education, in its true sense, is always asking "why"; always inquiring "how." Will educators, therefore, stultify themselves by blacking-out from their text books the final "why" and the ultimate "how"? Someone has said that "freedom of religion" as far as America is concerned, were better expressed if it was described as "freedom from religion."

More than 65 per cent of our fellow citizens profess no affiliation with any church whatsoever. Perhaps this is the fault of the churches whose arrogant liberalism and crass compromise are partly to blame for the desert-wandering of a chosen people who know not where to turn.

Be that as it may, freedom of religion, if there be such a thing in America, is more memorable for its absence in practice than for its observance. Without it there will be schools from which will graduate trained barbarians, cultured pagans and a skilled offspring of Lucifer whose common motto will be *"Non serviam"*—"I will not serve."

The right to exercise freedom of religion is hypocritically incorporated in the new constitution of the Soviet Union. Yet atheistic Moscow guarantees the right to persecute religion.

Is America following the pattern of that godless state while we orate about freedom of religion upon which all other freedoms depend, or may we expect the passage of laws compelling parents to instruct their children in the elements of things religious as we do in things educational?

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America is living in a great paradox. We build up the walls of the temple of education on the sandy soil of a fictitious freedom of religion. The winds will come, the waves will wash —and the parable of the New Testament will be fulfilled.

Why is SOCIAL JUSTICE so critical of the current pattern of Americanism? Because, in honesty, it is conscious of its flaws. SOCIAL JUSTICE hates irreligion which, ultimately, degenerates into Communism. Equally SOCIAL JUSTICE hates Naziism which, ultimately, will succeed no further than in training a brilliant offspring of Lucifer.

SOCIAL JUSTICE stands for Christianity which not only praises sound freedom of education and freedom of religion but which points out that one cannot exist without the other and that the latter—religious freedom—is more necessary for our national salvation than is the former.

If Americans are honest in professing freedom of religion, let them insist that protective laws will guarantee that freedom as thoroughly as municipal, state and Federal laws guarantee the freedom of education.

Congress Ignores Pleas for Monetary Reform as Debt Interest Mounts

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